

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 632

H. P. 479

House of Representatives, January 27, 1965

Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Poulin of Skowhegan.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Halfway House Program at Reformatory for Women.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows :

R. S., T. 34, § 863, additional. Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 863 to read as follows :

‘Sec. 863. **Halfway house-school tuition.** The department (of Mental Health and Corrections) is authorized to establish a **Halfway House Program**, so-called, to be operated on the property of the Reformatory for Women, in or near Skowhegan, or in other municipalities within the State, said program to provide an environment of community living controlled pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the superintendent. Inmates of said reformatory and females sentenced to the Maine State Prison may be paroled to participate in said **Halfway House Program** in accordance with applicable provisions of chapter 121. Children transferred to said reformatory as incorrigible from the Stevens Training Center may be placed on entrustment in said program in accordance with Title 15, section 2716.

Upon recommendation of said superintendent, a participant in the **Halfway House Program** shall be granted entrance into a public school within the Skowhegan administrative unit, subject to Title 20, section 859. Tuition shall be paid to the Skowhegan administrative unit by said superintendent from the appropriation to said reformatory. The amount of tuition to be paid for a participant attending a public school other than a secondary school, as well as the amount of tuition to be paid for a participant attending a secondary school shall not exceed the receiving school's average cost per pupil for the current fiscal year to be determined as provided in Title 20, section 1292; except that, as to a participant attending a secondary school, in no instance shall tuition paid under this section

exceed the average cost per pupil in all secondary schools of the State for the current fiscal year, and as to a participant attending a public school other than a secondary school, in no instance shall tuition paid under this section exceed the average cost per pupil in all such schools of the State for the current fiscal year.'