

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 615

H. P. 460

House of Representatives, February 4, 1971

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Simpson of Standish.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Temporary Lodging in County Jails of Returnees from Entrustment and Juveniles Absent without Leave from Juvenile Institutions.

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

R. S., T. 15, § 2716, amended. Section 2716 of Title 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

When any child committed to the center and placed on entrustment, or who has absented himself or herself from the center, without leave, is taken into custody for the purpose of return to the center by any officer or employee of the center at the direction of the superintendent, or by any law enforcement officer at the request of the superintendent, and because of the child's distance from the center at the time of being taken into custody it becomes necessary to detain the child overnight, any such child may be temporarily detained in a county jail under this section and shall be returned to the center on the next day after being taken into custody, except in the case of unsafe traveling conditions, and then return to the center shall be effected at the earliest possible time.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act will provide authority for the superintendent of a training center to cause a returnee from entrustment or a child absent from the center, without leave, to be temporarily lodged in a county jail when return to the center in one day, due to distance, is impossible.