

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1282

H. P. 928

House of Representatives, March 3, 1971

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cottrell of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Voluntary Surgery at Public Expense
for Qualifying Parents.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, § 3106, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3106 to read as follows:

§ 3106. Vasectomy and fallotomy

A father of a family which is supported by public funds or whose total income is substandard may voluntarily have a vasectomy and a mother of a family which is supported by public funds or whose total income is substandard may voluntarily have a fallotomy. The cost of such a vasectomy or fallotomy shall be paid by the State through the Department of Health and Welfare.

The department is authorized to issue rules and regulations to carry out the purpose of this section.

Sec. 2. **Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$100,000 to the Department of Health and Welfare to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1971-72	1972-73
HEALTH AND WELFARE, DEPARTMENT OF		
All Other	\$40,000	\$60,000

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to propose an acceptable aid toward more happy and efficient family planning so that our welfare and educational responsibilities coincide more reasonably with the urgent demands on the public purse.