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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1344

H. P. 982

House of Representatives, March 5, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Doyle of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT Providing Funds to Municipally Owned Hospitals
and Nursing Care Facilities for Aid to the Medically Indigent.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, § 3351, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 3351 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The department is authorized and empowered to make all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this aid, including but not limited to defining the term "medically indigent", the type of medical care to be provided, the amount to be paid for hospitalization and the length of hospitalization allowed during a fiscal year, except as otherwise provided in this section. The department shall compensate municipally owned and operated hospitals and nursing care facilities at rates of not less than \$18 per day nor more than \$25 per day depending on the nature of the patient's illness and the degree of patient care required.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Welfare the sum of \$500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972 and \$500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973 to carry out the purposes of this Act.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.