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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 571

H. P. 422 House of Representatives, January 31, 1973
Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Pontbriand of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Making Additional Appropriations for the Department of Health and Welfare for the Next Biennium.

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

Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Welfare the sum of \$1,300,000 to provide for the continuation of services to nonwelfare recipients who were previously eligible to receive such services under Title IV-A and XVI of the Social Security Act of 1935. The breakdown shall be as follows:

1973-74

1974-75

HEALTH AND WELFARE, DEPARTMENT OF

All Other

\$650,000

\$650,000

STATEMENT OF FACT

An amendment to Public Law 92-215 (Revenue Sharing Act) passed by Congress in October of 1972 restricts the use of federal matching funds for social services. Because of the restrictive wording of that law, many social services previously available to elderly, children and families with marginal incomes were seriously jeopardized.

Such social services included Homemaker Services, Day Care, camperships for youth, meals programs for the elderly, senior centers and some mental health services.

The purpose of this request is to assure the continuation of such social services to those marginal income persons and families in Maine who do not receive public assistance grants.