

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1631

H. P. 1254

House of Representatives, March 26, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Murray of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT Appropriating Funds to Provide a Public Information Officer at
Bangor State Hospital.**

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

Bangor State Hospital; appropriation. There is appropriated to the Department of Mental Health and Corrections at the Bangor State Hospital, from the General Fund the sum of \$21,375 to provide a Public Information Officer at the Bangor State Hospital. This appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain in a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this Act have been accomplished. The breakdown of expenditures shall be as follows:

	1973-74	1974-75
MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF		
Bangor State Hospital		
Personal Services	(I) \$ 8,875	(I) \$12,500

STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this legislation is reflected in the following findings and recommendations of the Special Legislative Committee which studied the Bangor State Hospital: This Committee found a credibility gap existing between the Bangor State Hospital, the Legislature and the general public. The committee felt that a public information and educational person is necessary and needed to correct this major problem. This person would provide a direct line of communication to the general public and the Legislature on the many problems requiring information.