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(New Title)

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H. P. 1575

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E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Insure Permanent Funding of the Maine Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Academy.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 173, sub-§ 4, amended. Subsection 4 of section 173 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

Ten percent of the total fines collected by the court and paid to the Treasurer of State pursuant to this subsection shall be credited monthly by the Treasurer of State to the account of the Department of Public Safety to be expended solely for the operational and administrative costs of the Maine Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Academy. All moneys so credited to the Department of Public Safety shall be credited, apportioned and expended as provided by the Legislature.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective January 1, 1975.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this new draft is to raise the operating costs of the Maine Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Academy. The Academy, which trains state, county and municipal law enforcement officers, currently operates primarily on federal funds, the future receipt of which cannot be guaranteed. It is estimated that the level of assessments collected will obviate the need for General Fund appropriations to operate the Academy. No appropriation is needed on this legislation.