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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 2415

S. P. 846 In Senate, January 23, 1974 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary Presented by Senator MacLeod of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR

AN ACT to Expand the Line Budget in the Department of Mental Health and Corrections.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 1667, amended. Section 1667 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new sentence after the 2nd sentence, to read as follows:

The Department of Mental Health and Corrections shall further break down its budget to include institutional food expenditures. Funds not expended for this budget item shall not be transferred between line categories.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill is intended to implement Recommendation No. 40, Department of Mental Health and Corrections, in the Maine Management and Cost Survey Report. The purpose of this bill is to expand the line budget to include a category for institutional food expenditures. The Governor, considering the possibility of downgrading the quality of food service to residents of our institutions due to budget limitations, recommended this bill be given further study in his Special Message to the 106th Legislature presented on January 10, 1974.