# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 911

H. P. 739 House of Representatives, March 5, 1975 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McKernan of Bangor. Cosponsor: Mr. Smith of Dover-Foxcroft.

### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

### AN ACT to Permit the Continuation of Mediation Services.

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

Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Public Employees Labor Relations Board the sum of \$18,000 for the activities of the Panel of Mediators. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1975-76	1976-77
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LABOR RELATIONS BO	OARD	
Personal Services All Other	\$6,000 2,000	\$ 7,500 2,500
	\$8,000	\$10,000

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The adoption of this Act will allow for the continuance of mediation services throughout the State of Maine. The demand for these services has grown dramatically in the last year as the time devoted to mediation services jumped by 220% from FY 73 to FY 74. Mediation requests have quadrupled in the first 6 months of FY 75 as compared to the first 6 months of FY 74. The funding contained in this Act will allow for an additional 20 mediation days per quarter during FY 76 and for an additional 25 mediation days per quarter during FY 77. Currently, the maximum number of mediation days which may be offered in any quarter is 37.