

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1037

H. P. 850

House of Representatives, March 12, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelleher of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Appropriating Funds to Maintain the Present Level of Social
Services.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of departments and institutions will become due and payable before July 1, 1975; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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, in addition to any and all other appropriations for the biennium the sum of \$306,880 for the purpose of continuing the present level of supportive social services now provided to needy citizens in Maine. These funds shall be disbursed according to plans and programs of the Maine Human Service Council and the Bureau of Human Services.

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HEALTH AND WELFARE, DEPARTMENT OF		
All Other	\$146,160	\$160,720

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Through cooperative arrangements between the Department of Health and Welfare and nonprofit organizations thousands of children and families who are economically disadvantaged, aged or handicapped are presently receiving essential services such as homemaker services, day care services, transportation and camping services.

The above appropriation would potentially provide \$920,640 of federally matched resources under Titles IV-A and VI or their successors thus enabling needy citizens to continue receiving these required services.