

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 1143

S. P. 341

In Senate, March 19, 1975

On motion of Senator Katz of Kennebec, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Marcotte of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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AN ACT Appropriating Funds for the Continuation of Sheltered Group Care Homes for Girls.

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

**Department of Health and Welfare; appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Welfare, the sum of \$289, 932, in addition to any and all other appropriations, to enter into agreement with St. Andre's Home, Inc., for the continuation of purchase of services for the care of unmarried pregnant women during pregnancies and troubled or homeless adolescent girls. Services shall include residential care in sheltered homes for small groups, individual counseling or group counseling, or both, including counseling with families and other responsible persons and continuing education and health services not covered by other plans. Funds under this Act may be advanced on a monthly or quarterly basis to St. Andre's Home, Inc., with a final accounting at the end of each fiscal year according to the number of individuals served and the operating costs of the homes. Should the funds not all be utilized, they shall revert to the General Fund. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1975-76	1976-77
HEALTH AND WELFARE, DEPARTMENT OF		
St. Andre's Home., Inc.		
All Other	\$144,966	\$144,966

## STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide for the continuation of 3 group homes, located in Biddeford and Bangor for pregnant young women and in Lewiston for troubled or homeless adolescent girls. The homes are the only sheltered group residences for unmarried mothers and adolescent girls in Maine. The sponsors have had 35 years of experience in providing specialized services to Maine's unmarried mothers.