

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1473

H. P. 1172

House of Representatives, March 25, 1975

On Motion of Mr. Gauthier of Sanford, referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Henderson of Bangor.

Cosponsor: Mr. LaPointe of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Revising the Pauper Laws.

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

22 MRSA § 4499, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 681, § 7, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 4499. Costs; limit

When a municipality incurs net costs for furnishing such general relief in any fiscal year, the Department of Health and Welfare shall reimburse the municipality for 90% of the amount of such expenditures which the department considers to be reasonable and appropriate. For the purposes of this section, the municipal officers shall submit to the Department of Health and Welfare a monthly return on forms provided by the department stating the amount of net costs for furnishing general relief.

The department shall also reimburse the municipality for 50% of the reasonable expenses of administering said program of general relief and the municipal officers shall submit to the department a monthly return on forms provided by the department stating the amount of such administrative costs.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require 90% state reimbursement of the net costs of general relief extended by municipalities and 50% state reimbursement of the administrative costs of such municipal general relief program.