

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1519

S. P. 466

In Senate, April 7, 1975

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Gahagan of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Expand Transportation Services of the Bureau of Maine's Elderly and to Provide Transportation of Blind, Disabled and Handicapped Persons.

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, Bureau of Maine's Elderly, the sum of \$200,000 to expand the State's existing transportation system now provided by the Bureau of Maine's Elderly. All such funds shall be matched locally by a 25% contribution in cash or in kind before becoming available.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Only 50% of Maine's elderly eligible for transportation services are now receiving them. Also, the blind, disabled and handicapped receive little or no transportation services at all. These funds, although not meeting the need will increase the State's ability to assist these persons. A local contribution of 25% in cash or in kind will be required for state transportation grants.