

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1631

H. P. 1265

House of Representatives, April 3, 1975

Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Mr. Gauthier of Sanford, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wilfong of Stow.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Provide for Reimbursement of Court Appointed Attorneys for
Reasonable Disbursements made on Behalf of Their Clients.**

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

4 MRSA § 173, sub-§ 5 is enacted to read:

5. Disbursements by appointed counsel. In any proceeding wherein the court has appointed counsel, the Treasurer of State shall reimburse such appointed counsel for reasonable disbursements made in behalf of the client, including but not limited to witness fees, sheriff's fees and travel, upon approval of such disbursements by the court.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide for reimbursement of court-appointed attorneys for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in representing indigent clients.