

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 1745

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H. P. 1441

House of Representatives, April 8, 1975

On Motion of Mr. Cooney of Sabattus referred to Committee on State Government. Presented to the House of Representatives by the Joint Standing Committee on State Government Pursuant to Joint Rule No. 3 of the Legislature. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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AN ACT Pertaining to the Disposition of the Facilities  
of the Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan.

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

Sec. 1. 34 MRSA § 866 is enacted to read:

§ 866. Disposition of the facilities of the former Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan

All of the land adjacent to and surrounding the institutional buildings as well as the buildings of the former Women's Correctional Center shall be transferred to the Bureau of Public Improvements.

1. Lease of the buildings. The Bureau of Public Improvements may lease the Milliken and Damon buildings to the Ken-A-Set Association to be used as sheltered workshops for the mentally retarded. The 2 buildings may be leased in their present condition at reasonable cost to Ken-A-Set Association to offset expenses incurred by the State to maintain the 2 buildings.

A. Terms of lease. The maintenance expenses for which Ken-A-Set Association shall be responsible shall include electricity, heat, water, sewerage and any other expenses deemed proper and necessary by the Bureau of Public Improvements. Costs for all improvements, major repairs and renovations shall be borne by Ken-A-Set Association, subject to the approval of the Bureau of Public Improvements.

2. Maintenance of facilities. The Bureau of Public Improvements shall maintain the buildings at the former Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan on a standby basis for 2 years.

3. Land grant to Bureau of Forestry. All of the open land and timberland north of Norridgewock Avenue, excluding the land immediately adjacent to the institutional buildings, shall be transferred to the Bureau of Forestry. The Bureau of Forestry shall actively manage the timberlands as a working forest.

4. Land grant to Bureau of Parks and Recreation. All the land lying between Norridgewock Avenue and the Kennebec River belonging to the former Women's Correctional Center shall be transferred to the Bureau of Parks and Recreation to be managed by the bureau.

Sec. 2. **Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund, the sum of \$90,995 to be used by the Bureau of Public Improvements to maintain the facilities at the former Women's Correctional Center. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1975-76	1976-77
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF		
Bureau of Public Improvements		
Personal Services	(4) \$34,092	\$34,553
All Other	10,200	10,400
Capital Expenditures	1,750	
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	\$46,042	\$44,953

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this bill is to provide for the disposition and maintenance of the facilities of the former Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan.

This legislation is the result of a study of the disposition of the facilities at the former Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan and is introduced in this Legislature pursuant to Rule 3 of the Joint Rules.