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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 2081

S. P. 655

In Senate, January 26, 1976

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Conley of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SIX

**AN ACT Providing for Total Reimbursement of Municipal Expenditures
and Administrative Costs in Furnishing General Relief.**

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

22 MRSA § 4499, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 293, § 4, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: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 Human Services shall reimburse the municipality for 100% 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 Human Services 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 100% of the reasonable expenses of administering its 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 the State to take over from municipalities the cost of providing and administering general relief.