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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
107TH LEGISLATURE (Filing No. H-1250)
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 732, L.D.
2281, Bill, "AN ACT to Reorganize the Bureau of Corrections."

Amend said Amendment by striking out all of section 23 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 23. 34 MRSA c.257 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 257

USE OF STATE FACILITIES

§3051. Availability of state facilities

The Bureau of Public Improvements shall have control over the facility formerly known as the Stevens School located at Hallowell. The Director of the Bureau of Public Improvements shall utilize the facility for state office and storage space. The director shall be authorized to enter into a contract with others concerning the use on either a part-time or full-time basis of lands and buildings deemed to be in excess of state needs.'

Further amend said Amendment by striking out all of section 24 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 24. Transitional provision. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all accrued expenditures, assets, liabilities, balances of appropriations, transfers, revenues or other available funds in any account, or subdivision of any account, belonging to or intended for the institutions heretofore known as the Women's Correctional Center and the Stevens School may be transferred to the Department of Mental Health and Corrections, at the direction of the Commissioner of Mental Health and Corrections, with the advice

and consent of the Governor and Executive Council. Any funds not so transferred within 60 days after the effective date of this Act shall lapse and become a part of the General Fund, except that the following funds listed under Hallowell Campus under section 29 shall be appropriated for property management, excluding interior house-keeping at Stevens School and shall be transferred from the Department of Mental Health and Corrections to the Bureau of Public Improvements.'

Further amend said Amendment in section 29 under the caption of "Stevens School/Women's Correctional Center" by striking out everything relating to "Hallowell Campus" and inserting in place thereof the following:

, ' <u>Hallowell Campus</u>		
Personal Services	(9)	\$92,274
All Other		25,997'

Statement of Fact

This Amendment is to stop the otherwise inevitable building of new multi-million dollar office buildings and to substantially reduce the hundreds of thousands of dollars the State is presently spending to lease space in the capitol area. This involves the transfer of departmental funds from the Department of Mental Health and Corrections to the Bureau of Public Improvements at no additional cost to the State.

Filed by Mr. Stubbs of Hallowell.

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