

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 926

S. P. 300

In Senate, March 16, 1977

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Mangan of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT Concerning Powers of the District Court to Send Juveniles for
Mental Examinations.**

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

15 MRSA § 2612 is enacted to read:

§ 2612. Mental examination prior to sentencing

If a juvenile court adjudges a juvenile to have committed a juvenile offense, it may, prior to imposing a sentence, order that juvenile undergo a mental evaluation at the Maine Youth Center or at any mental health clinic, and that the results of that evaluation be reported back to the court.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill permits a judge, prior to sentencing a juvenile adjudged to have committed a juvenile offense, to order the juvenile to undergo a mental examination. This will enable the judge to have a fuller understanding of the person he is sentencing.