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(Filing No. S-235)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 361, L.D. 1108, Bill, "AN ACT Authorizing the Maine Bureau of Rehabilitation to Provide for Sheltered Workshop Employment for Severely Handicappe Residents of the State of Maine."

Amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated "<u>§3081.</u>" in subsection 3, paragraph A in the first line (same in L.D.) by striking out the underlined word "<u>disability</u>" and inserting in its place the underlined words and punctuation '<u>disabilities including</u>, but not limited to, those'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated "<u>§3081.</u>" in subsection 3, paragraph A in the last line (next to last line in L.D.) by striking out the underlined word "<u>sicle</u>" and inserting in its place the underlined word 'sickle'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated "<u>\$3081.</u>" in subsection 3, paragraph B in the last line (first line in L.D.) by striking out the underlined word "<u>cause</u>" and inserting in its place the underlined word 'causes'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated "<u>§3081.</u>" in subsection 4 by inserting at the end before the punctuation the underlined words '<u>and certified by the United</u> States Department of Labor'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated "<u>\$3082.</u>" by striking out all of subsection 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'1. Program established. The Bureau of Rehabilitation

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shall administer a program, in different regions of the State where possible, of subsidizing several sheltered workshops for extended employees.'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§3082." by striking out all of subsection 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'4. Subsidies. The department shall award subsidies to sheltered workshops in the amount of \$2,500 per eligible worker per year, within limits of available funds.'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 by inserting after that part designated "§3082." the following: '§3083. Report

The Bureau of Rehabilitation shall evaluate this program and make a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Institutional Services by January, 1981.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1979-80	1980-81
UMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Bureau of Rehabilitation		
Positions	(1)	(1)
Personal Services	\$ 7,500	\$ 10,000
All Other	93,750	125,000

To be used to provide extended shelter employment for 50 eligible individuals. The cost will be offset by taxes generated by the employment of these individuals.'

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Statement of Fact

This amendment makes clear that the list of disabilities and is not an exclusive one/ adds that the facility must be certified by the United States Department of Labor. The Bureau of Rehabilitation must subsidize workshops in different regions of the State and evaluate the program and make a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Institutional Services by January, 1981. The program cost is reduced and the program will serve only 50 individuals, coordinated through one position in the bureau.

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