

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 1114

House of Representatives, March 22, 1979

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Sprowl of Hope.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Require the Department of Mental Health and Corrections to Reimburse the Knox County Sheriff's Department for the Costs of Transportation Provided Convicts at the State Prison.**

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

Sec. 1. 34 MRSA § 759 is enacted to read:

**§ 759. Reimbursement of Knox County sheriff**

The Department of Mental Health and Corrections shall annually, by February 1st, reimburse the Knox County Sheriff's Department for the reasonable costs of transportation provided by that sheriff's department during the previous calendar year to convicts at the State Prison, persons to be committed to the State Prison or persons released from the State Prison.

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

1979-80

MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS,

DEPARTMENT OF

All Other

\$4,800

To be used for reimbursement to the Knox County Sheriff's Department for state prisoner transportation.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The sheriff's department of Knox County last year expended approximately \$4,800 in transporting state prisoners to and from the Maine State Prison, the Maine Correctional Center and the Maine Youth Center. This is a cost imposed on the county by the State and should be reimbursed by the State. This bill provides that reimbursement and will require that the department will provide that reimbursement in the future.