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No. 1397

H. P. 1125

House of Representatives, March 21, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro.

Cosponsor: Mr. Connolly of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Provide Funds for Side-by-Side School as a Demonstration Project for
Alternative Education Programs.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Legislature has enacted legislation to encourage the use of alternative education programs; and

Whereas, Side-by-Side School has been organized as an alternative program for school dropouts and chronic truants; and

Whereas, Side-by-Side School is effectively providing alternative education programs; and

Whereas, Side-by-Side School requires sustained financial support in order to continue its programs as a demonstration project; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Designation. Side-by-Side School is designated as a full-time program for school dropouts and chronic truants, as provided in the Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 934, subsection 1. The school shall be a pilot project designed to demonstrate the effective delivery of alternative education programs.

Sec. 2. Report. The Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services shall present an interim report to the Second Regular Session of the 109th Legislature and a final report to the First Regular Session of the 110th Legislature assessing the provisions of educational services by the school and making any appropriate recommendations relating to the further encouragement of these programs.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1979-80	1980-81
EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
All Other	\$35,018	\$36,600

The department shall allocate these funds to Side-by-Side School in equal monthly payments.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take affect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide funds for the Side-by-Side School, an educational program for school dropouts and chronic truants.