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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-816)
109TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1635, L.D. 1744, Bill,
"AN ACT to Provide Supplemental Funds to the Judicial
Department."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the Title
and inserting in its place the following:
'Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from
the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	<u>1980-81</u>
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT	
Personal Services	\$481,058
Capital Expenditures	<u>25,000</u>
Total	\$506,058'

Statement of Fact

This amendment reduces the amount of supplemental funds
appropriated to the Judicial Department to \$506,058 and
appropriates it only for the fiscal year 1980-81.

The personal services amount reflects the following
understanding of its application by the Judicial Department.

Parity adjustment \$136,894

This money will provide Judicial Department employees with the same increase that was granted to state employees under last years union agreement.

Cost of living adjustment \$230,664

This money will provide an 8% cost-of-living adjustment to Judicial Department employees.

Law clerks \$13,500

This money will provide an increase of approximately \$900 in the annual salaries of the justices' law clerks.

New personnel \$100,000

This money will provide new personnel positions particularly for District Courts.

Capital expenditures \$25,000

This money will provide additional office equipment, including cash registers, file cabinets, typewriters and transcribers.

Because all appropriations are for the fiscal year beginning on June 30, 1980, the emergency clause is no longer necessary. Thus, this amendment deletes it.