

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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(EMERGENCY)
(Governor's Bill)
THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2045

S. P. 831

In Senate, May 21, 1980

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator Perkins of Hancock.

Cosponsor: Senator Najarian of Cumberland.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY

**AN ACT Making Supplemental Appropriations from the General Fund to the
Maine State Prison for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1980.**

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

Whereas, the 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, a lock down at the Maine State Prison was initiated on April 15, 1980 in order to protect the health and safety of inmates and employees; and

Whereas, significant extra costs are being incurred because of the lock down; 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. Appropriations from the General Fund. In order to provide for necessary expenditures at the Maine State Prison for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980, the following sums are appropriated out of any funds in the General Fund not otherwise appropriated.

	1979-80
MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF Maine State Prison	
Personal Services	\$465,413
All other	37,600
Mental Health and Corrections Food Account	
All other	9,500

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The emergency nature of this legislation is described in the emergency preamble. Significant nonrecurring costs which were not a part of the previously anticipated expenditures at the Maine State Prison have been incurred. The personal services costs are due to the large amount of overtime required to secure the prison. The all other expenses include required lodging, supplies, equipment, extra employee expenses and food. The food expense is charged to the department's food account as required by law. Funds for this appropriation are available from previously unanticipated lapsed balance.