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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
110TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

L.D. 866
(Filing No. S-102)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 310, L.D. 866, Bill,
"AN ACT Relating to the Costs of Transporting Persons to
Hospitals for the Mentally Ill."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the
enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Department of Mental Health and Corrections; transportation
study. The Department of Mental Health and Corrections shall
study the feasibility and costs of various plans for transporting
mentally ill persons to the Augusta and Bangor Mental Health
Institutes in consultation with the Department of Transportation
and county officials in each county. The department shall
present the results of the study, together with recommendations
for legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and
Institutional Services on or before January 15, 1982.

The committee may report out any necessary legislation in
connection with this study.'

Statement of Fact

Since the action taken in this / ^{amendment} is of a temporary
nature it is more appropriately handled as an unallocated section.
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The /. leaves the responsibility for expenses of
transportation with the county. The department of Mental Health

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and Corrections is to study the feasibility of various plans, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, rather than jointly, and with county officials. Further action will depend on the plan, but the committee may report out any implementing or enabling legislation.