

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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L.D. 854  
(Filing No. H-119 )

STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
111TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 671, L.D. 854,  
Bill, "AN ACT Concerning the Financial Responsibility  
of the County for Medical Expenses of Prisoners."

Amend the bill in the 3rd and 4th lines after the  
amending clause (page 1, lines 27 and 28 in L.D.) by  
striking out the underlined words "being held or sen-  
tenced to a county jail" and inserting in their place  
the underlined words 'during the month in which he  
becomes an inmate only to the extent permitted by  
federal law'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment puts into statute current Medicaid  
eligibility practices which, consistent with federal  
law, permit inmates of public institutions to be  
Medicaid eligible during the first partial month in  
which they become inmates. This eligibility under  
state law would remain conditioned on its conformance  
with federal law, thus assuring the availability of  
federal matching funds.

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