

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

No. 987

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7 H.P. 756

House of Representatives, March 3, 1983

8 Submitted by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation  
9 pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

10 Referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up  
for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Carroll of Gray.

11 Cosponsors: Representative Richard of Madison, Representative Melendy  
of Rockland and Representative Pines of Limestone.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE  
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17 AN ACT to Promote Consistency in the Funding  
18 Authority Granted to the Department of  
19 Mental Health and Mental Retardation.  
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
22 follows:

23 34 MRSA §2052, last paragraph, as repealed and  
24 replaced by PL 1973, c. 457, §2, is amended to read:

25 The department may make grants of funds to any  
26 entity described in this section applying therefor to  
27 be used in the conduct of its mental health services.  
28 The department may require evidence on the part of  
29 the grantee that appropriate local, governmental and  
30 other funding sources have been sought to assist in  
31 the financing of the services for which the depart-  
32 ment is making the grant.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This bill establishes consistent authority within  
3 the department in developing community-based ser-  
4 vices. Title 34, section 2646, grants to the depart-  
5 ment, through its Bureau of Mental Retardation, the  
6 authority entailed in this bill for the purpose of  
7 developing community-based mental retardation ser-  
8 vices. The bill clarifies the authority of the  
9 department to encourage similar local participation  
10 in the development of community mental health ser-  
11 vices.

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