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

No. 789

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7 S.P. 300

In Senate, February 28, 1985

8 Referred to the Committee on Human Resources. Sent down for
9 concurrence and ordered printed.

10 JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Bustin of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative Carroll of Gray.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Recognize Transportation as a Basic
18 Necessity in the Department of Human Services.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 22 MRSA §4301, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1983, c.
23 577, §1, is amended to read:

24 1. Basic necessities. "Basic necessities" means
25 food, clothing, shelter, fuel, electricity,
26 nonelective medical services as recommended by a phy-
27 sician, telephone, where it is necessary for medical
28 reasons, transportation, where it is necessary for
29 medical reasons or to seek or maintain employment,
30 and any other commodity or service determined essen-
31 tial by the overseer in accordance with the
32 municipality's ordinance and this chapter.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill amends the definition of basic necessities in the general assistance program to include transportation where it is necessary for medical or employment related reasons.

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