

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 (New Draft of H.P. 522, L.D. 742)  
2 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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4 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE  
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6 Legislative Document

No. 1543

8 H.P. 1064

House of Representatives, May 17, 1985

9 Reported by Representative Chonko from the Committee on  
10 Appropriations and Financial Affairs and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original  
11 bill sponsored by Representative Connolly of Portland. Cosponsored by  
Senator Perkins of Hancock, Representative Lisnik of Presque Isle and  
Representative Smith of Mars Hill.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

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13 STATE OF MAINE  
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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE  
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18 AN ACT to Assure Appropriate Education and  
19 Treatment of People who are Deaf or  
20 Hearing Impaired.  
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22 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
23 follows:

24 Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §3005 is enacted to read:

25 §3005. Services to persons who are deaf or hearing  
26 impaired

27 The Bureau of Mental Health shall establish a  
28 therapeutic residence program for persons who are  
29 deaf and in need of residential mental health treat-  
30 ment. The therapeutic residence program shall be op-  
31 erated in conjunction with existing rehabilitation,  
32 education, mental health treatment and housing re-  
33 sources.

1 The therapeutic residence program shall be  
2 staffed by individuals trained in mental health  
3 treatment and proficient in deaf communication.

4 Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are  
5 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the  
6 purposes of this Act.

7		<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>
8	<u>MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETAR-</u>		
9	<u>DATION, DEPARTMENT OF</u>		
10	Bureau of Mental Health		
11	All Other	\$70,000	\$70,000

12 STATEMENT OF FACT

13 The purpose of this new draft is to eliminate all  
14 reference to a Bureau of Mental Health Advisory Com-  
15 mittee and change the appropriation for 1985-86.

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