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1 (EMERGENCY)
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3 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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5 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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7 Legislative Document

No. 2026

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9 H.P. 1435 House of Representatives, February 13, 1986

10 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council
11 pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

12 Reference to the Committee on Local and County Government suggested
and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Paradis of Augusta.

13 Cosponsored by Senator Bustin of Kennebec, Representative Jacques of
Waterville and Representative Hickey of Augusta.

14 STATE OF MAINE
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16 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
17 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX
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19 AN ACT to Establish Kennebec County
20 Corrections' Improvement Fund.
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22 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
23 lature do not become effective until 90 days after
24 adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

25 Whereas, this legislation establishes a mechanism
26 whereby money received by Kennebec County for the
27 board of prisoners would be credited directly to a
28 corrections' improvement fund; and

29 Whereas, with emergency passage of this legisla-
30 tion, needed improvements to the county corrections
31 system could begin immediately; and

32 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
33 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
34 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
35 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-

1 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
2 therefore,

3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
4 follows:

5 30 MRSA §1859 is enacted to read:

6 §1859. Kennebec County Corrections' Improvement Fund

7 1. Improvement fund established. All payments
8 received by Kennebec County for the board of prison-
9 ers from Federal Government, State Government and
10 county government and for prisoners participating in
11 work release shall be credited by the county treasur-
12 er to the Kennebec County Corrections' Improvement
13 Fund.

14 2. Purpose. The Kennebec County Corrections'
15 Improvement Fund shall be used only for the following
16 purposes:

17 A. To effect capital improvements to meet and
18 maintain compliance with detention standards;

19 B. To implement mandatory operational standards
20 which do not require capital improvements, pro-
21 vided that no use of improvement funds, includ-
22 ing, but not limited to, personal services, may
23 supplement any portion of county budgets adopted
24 for the fiscal year; and

25 C. To secure additional funds by matching other
26 funding sources for county corrections' improve-
27 ments, including, but not limited to, reconstruc-
28 tion and new construction to meet and maintain
29 compliance with mandatory standards.

30 3. Expenditures; approval. No correctional im-
31 provement fund money may be expended by county offi-
32 cial without certification from the sheriff or jail
33 administrator that the proposed use of the funds is
34 for the purposes identified in subsection 2. No ex-
35 penditure of improvement funds may occur without the
36 approval of a majority of the county commissioners.

