

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 (EMERGENCY)
2 (New Draft of S.P. 935, L.D. 2344)
3 (New Title)
4 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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6 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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8 Legislative Document

No. 2360

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10 S.P. 942

In Senate, April 9, 1986

11 Reported by Senator Black of Cumberland from the Committee on Labor
12 and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original bill sponsored by Senator Tuttle of
13 York. Cosponsored by Senator Violette of Aroostook, Representative
McHenry of Madawaska and Representative Hale of Sanford.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

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15 STATE OF MAINE
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17 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
18 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX
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20 AN ACT to Maintain the Sanford Unemployment
21 Office.
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23 Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
24 lature do not become effective until 90 days after
25 adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

26 Whereas, due to federal budget reductions, the
27 Bureau of Employment Security plans to reduce its op-
28 erations in several Maine municipalities to reduce
29 its costs, including the closing of its Sanford unem-
30 ployment office; and

31 Whereas, the Sanford unemployment office performs
32 an important and necessary service to not only those
33 unemployed persons who reside in Sanford, but also to
34 many other residents of extreme southern Maine; and

1 Whereas, if the Sanford office is closed, it will
2 work a severe hardship upon those unemployed persons
3 who use the Sanford office, forcing them to travel
4 long distances while on fixed incomes and reducing
5 the availability of services to them; and

6 Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the Sanford
7 unemployment office retain at least a minimal pres-
8 ence in that municipality; and

9 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
10 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
11 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
12 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
13 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
14 therefore,

15 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
16 follows:

17 26 MRSA §1085 is enacted to read:

18 §1085. Bureau office in Sanford

19 The commissioner shall establish and maintain an
20 office of the bureau in the municipality of Sanford
21 for the purpose of providing unemployment compensa-
22 tion services to claimants. The office must be
23 staffed by at least one full-time claims interviewer
24 who shall receive and process claims for unemployment
25 compensation benefits.

26 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited
27 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-
28 proved.

29 STATEMENT OF FACT

30 This new draft requires the Bureau of Employment
31 Security to establish and maintain an unemployment
32 compensation office in the municipality of Sanford,
33 staffed by at least one full-time claims interviewer.

1 The position will not be funded by the State. It will
2 be funded with federal money provided for the admin-
3 istration of the employment security program.

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