

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 589

H.P. 436 House of Representatives, March 3, 1987
Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative ROLDE of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

1 AN ACT to Provide Substance Abuse Prevention,
2 Education and Treatment Services for
3 County Jail Inmates and their
4 Families.
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6 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
7 follows:

8 Appropriation. The following funds are appropri-
9 ated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes
10 of this Act.

11 1987-88 1988-89

12 HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT
13 OF

14 Office of Alcohol and
15 Drug Abuse Prevention

1	All Other	\$262,500	\$275,625.
2	Funds to provide the		
3	following at the		
4	rate of approximate-		
5	ly \$25,000 per full-		
6	time counselor and		
7	support services:		
8	Group I: Cumberland		
9	County: \$50,000;		
10	Group II: Aroostook		
11	and Penobscot Coun-		
12	ties: \$37,500 each;		
13	Group III:		
14	Somerset, Washington		
15	and York Counties:		
16	\$25,000 each; and		
17	Group IV: Hancock,		
18	Knox, Lincoln,		
19	Piscataquis and		
20	Waldo Counties:		
21	\$12,500 each.		

22 STATEMENT OF FACT

23 It is estimated that 25,000 of the approximate
24 30,000 individuals admitted to our county jails in
25 1985 were under the influence of alcohol, including
26 operating under the influence, or illegal drugs at
27 the time of the commission of the crime. In 1986,
28 the Department of Human Services provided funds to 3
29 of the county jails to establish substance abuse
30 treatment services for the inmates and their fami-
31 lies.

32 A survey of the remaining 11 county jails showed
33 that only 5 jails have professional substance ser-
34 vices and only one has presentence and
35 post-incarceration services. This bill provides the
36 funds that allow for the initial steps in the devel-
37 opment of inmate and family substance abuse services
38 in the 11 county jails. The proposed funding is
39 based upon total inmate population an estimation of
40 need by the county jail and state staff.

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