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STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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113TH LEGISLATURE

6

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 598, L.D. 809,

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"Resolve, to Establish the Commission on Children in

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Need of Supervision and Treatment."

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Amend the resolve by striking out everything af-

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ter the emergency preamble and before the statement

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of fact and inserting in its place the following:

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'Commission established; membership. Resolved:

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That there is established the Special Commission on

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Children in Need of Supervision and Treatment. The

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commission shall consist of 15 members. The follow-

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ing members shall be appointed by the Legislative

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Council:

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1. Two representatives from the Joint Standing

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Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs;

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2. Three representatives from the Joint Standing

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Committee on Human Resources; and

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3. Two representatives from the Joint Standing

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Committee on Judiciary.

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The Commissioner of Corrections, or his designee;

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the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retarda-

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tion, or his designee; the Commissioner of Human

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Services, or his designee; the Commissioner of Educa-

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tional and Cultural Services, or his designee; the

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Chairman of the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, or

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his designee; the Executive Director of Advocates for

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the Developmentally Disabled, or his designee; a com-

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munity mental health representative and a representa-

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tive from the State's residential and treatment cen-

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ters, appointed by the Governor shall also be mem-

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bers. The appointments shall be made within 30 days

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of the effective date of this resolve. The appropri-

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1 ate appointing authorities shall notify the Legisla-
2 tive Council of the appointees' names; and be it fur-
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4 **Chairman; meetings. Resolved:** That the commis-
5 sion shall select a chairman from its members. The
6 chairman shall call meetings, except that the commis-
7 sion's first meeting shall be convened by the chair-
8 man of the Legislative Council within 20 days of the
9 notification that all appointments have been made.
10 The commission shall:

11 1. Define the population of out-of-control youth
12 in need of supervision and treatment;

13 2. Define the type of authority the State and
14 parents should have over their children;

15 3. Define legal and administrative remedies to
16 enforce state and parental authority;

17 4. Identify the administrative mechanisms neces-
18 sary to implement the remedies and interventions;

19 5. Identify the full spectrum of services
20 needed, including, but not limited to, behavior
21 stabilization units, to impact upon these issues, in-
22 cluding recommendations for additional services and
23 necessary state appropriations, including, as neces-
24 sary, modifications to the Medicaid program;

25 6. Incorporate, as a part of the research and
26 analysis of the commission, the related studies and
27 reports; and

28 7. Prepare an overall plan and approach, includ-
29 ing supporting legislation, necessary to have the
30 State meet its obligation to these out-of-control ju-
31 veniles and young adults, their families and their
32 communities; and be it further

33 **Assistance. Resolved:** That, if staff assistance

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1 is desired, assistance shall be requested from the
2 Legislative Council; and be it further

3 **Compensation. Resolved:** That the members of the
4 commission who are Legislators shall receive the leg-
5 islative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised
6 Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for each day of attend-
7 ance at commission meetings. All members of the com-
8 mission, except employees of State Government, shall
9 receive reimbursement for expenses upon application
10 to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council;
11 and be it further

12 **Findings; report. Resolved:** That the commission
13 shall present its findings and legislation, as neces-
14 sary, to the Second Regular Session of the 113th Leg-
15 islature by March 1, 1988; and be it further

16 **Appropriations. Resolved:** That the following
17 funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry
18 out the purposes of this Act.

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22 dren in Need of Supervision
23 and Treatment

24	Personal Services	\$2,695
25	All Other	5,200
26	Total	<u>\$7,895</u>

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

30 Further amend the bill by inserting before the
31 Statement of Fact the following:

32 'FISCAL NOTE

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1 This bill requires a \$7,895 General Fund appro-
2 priation in fiscal year 1987-88 in order to fund the
3 per diem, travel and miscellaneous expenses of the
4 Commission on Children in Need of Supervision and
5 Treatment.'

6 STATEMENT OF FACT

7 This amendment modifies the composition of the
8 study commission to include a community mental health
9 representative, amends the commission tasks and adds
10 procedural language and an appropriation.

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Reported by the Committee on Human Resources
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