

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

	ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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•	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Presented by Representative CONNOLLY of Portland. Cosponsored by Representatives CLARK of Brunswick and Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec.
	STATE OF MAINE
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN
1 2 3	AN ACT to Establish the Community Agency Wage Parity Fund.
4 5	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
6 6	34-B MRSA c. 5, sub-c. V is enacted to read:
7	SUBCHAPTER V
8	COMMUNITY AGENCY WAGE
9	PARITY FUND
10	§5611. Community Agency Wage Parity Fund
11 12 13	<u>1. Fund established.</u> There is established the Community Agency Wage Parity Fund. Money for the fund shall be appropriated from the General Fund.

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1	2. Purpose. The purpose of this fund is to en-
2	able community agencies serving developmentally dis-
3	abled to eliminate severe staff turn over, achieve
4	parity with state employees, stabilize the operations
5	of agency clients and develop a plan for achieving
6	those goals.
7	3. Rules; requirements. The Department of Fi-
8	nance shall establish, through, rules eligibility re-
9	quirements and allocation formulas in consultation
10	with representatives of all appropriate provider as-
11	sociations, the Department of Mental Health and Men-
12	tal Retardation and the Department of Human Services.
13	4. Eligible agencies. Allocations from the fund
14	may be made to community nonprofit agencies providing
15	programmatic services to children or adults with de-
16	velopmental disabilities or related problems in resi-
17	dential or day treatment settings, including, but not
18	limited to, residential treatment, therapeutic foster
19	homes, waiver homes, intermediate care facilities and
20	boarding homes for the mentally retarded and day
21	treatment programs.
22	5. Annual report. The Department of Finance
23	shall report annually to the Legislature on the sta-
24	tus of the fund and its progress toward meeting the
25	goals of wage parity for direct care workers.
26	STATEMENT OF FACT
20 27 28	This bill establishes the Community Agency Wage Parity Fund.

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