

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 1366

H.P. 1013 House of Representatives, April 28, 1987  
Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and  
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RYDELL of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Representatives LACROIX of Oakland,  
WEBSTER of Cape Elizabeth, and Senator GILL of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Develop a Client Support Services  
System for Individuals Infected with  
the Human Immune Deficiency Virus.**

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5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
6 follows:

7 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17005, sub-§3 is enacted to  
8 read:

9 3. Development of a client support services sys-  
10 tem. A client support services system shall be de-  
11 veloped to assist individuals infected with the Human  
12 Immune Deficiency Virus and to ensure that they re-  
13 ceive necessary services. The client support ser-  
14 vice, arranged by the staff of community-based agen-  
15 cies, shall include, but not be limited to, assisting  
16 the individual's needs and assisting the individual

1 with obtaining access to necessary health care, so-  
2 cial service, housing, transportation, counseling and  
3 income maintenance services. The Department of Human  
4 Services shall be responsible for providing overall  
5 direction for the development of the client support  
6 services system.

7 **Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds are  
8 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the  
9 purposes of this Act.

	<u>1987-88</u>	<u>1988-89</u>
10 <u>HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</u>		
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12 Bureau of Social Services		
13 Positions	(1)	(1)
14 Personal Services	\$27,859	\$30,200
15 All Other	4,720	4,600
16 Capital Expenditures	400	
17 Total	<u>\$32,979</u>	<u>\$34,800</u>
18 State Funds for Purchased		
19 Social Services		
20 All Other	\$86,000	\$105,000
21 Capital Expenditures	400	
22 Total	<u>\$86,400</u>	<u>\$105,000</u>

23 STATEMENT OF FACT

24 The number of individuals in the State with Ac-  
25 quired Immune Deficiency Syndrome has grown rapidly  
26 to 45 individuals as of March, 1987. It is antici-  
27 pated that this serious viral epidemic will continue  
28 to result in a growing number of the State's citizens  
29 being confirmed as having AIDS, AIDS-related complex,  
30 APS or other related conditions. These individuals  
31 have many human service needs that are currently not  
32 being met despite the concerted efforts of a few  
33 community-based staff and volunteers.

34 This bill provides funds for the development of a  
35 client support services system for individuals in-  
36 fected with the human immune deficiency virus.

1 Community-based agencies will be provided funds to  
2 assist individuals to obtain access to necessary  
3 health care, social service, housing, transportation,  
4 counseling and income maintenance services. In addi-  
5 tion, one position will be created within the Depart-  
6 ment of Human Services to coordinate the development  
7 of the support services system. This individual will  
8 be responsible for administering the contractual ar-  
9 rangements with the community agencies and will help  
10 ensure that all available resources are utilized ef-  
11 fectively.

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