

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1464                      House of Representatives, January 7, 1988  
Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to  
Joint Rule 24.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and  
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative STROUT of Windham.

Cosponsored by Representatives TAYLOR of Camden, CARROLL  
of Gray, and Senator GOULD of Waldo.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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**AN ACT to Amend the Law Pertaining to  
Commitment of a Juvenile to the  
Department of Corrections.**

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3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
4 follows:

5            15 MRSA §3314, sub-§1, ¶C, as amended by PL  
6 1985, c. 439, §15, is further amended to read:

7            C. The court may commit a juvenile to the  
8 Department of Corrections for placement in a group

1 home or residential facility when the continuation  
2 of the juvenile remaining in his own home would be  
3 contrary to the welfare of that juvenile or for  
4 the provision of services to a juvenile in his own  
5 home or for any other placement the department  
6 deems appropriate, subject to limitation of funds  
7 appropriated by the Legislature for this purpose.

8 STATEMENT OF FACT

9 The current provision, by which the court may  
10 enter a dispositional order committing a juvenile to  
11 the Department of Corrections for services, permits  
12 demands on the department which may be in excess of  
13 its resources.

14 This bill requires the Department of Corrections  
15 to provide services to a juvenile who has been  
16 committed to the department only to the extent of  
17 funds appropriated by the Legislature for that purpose.

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