

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2168

S.P. 834 In Senate, February 1, 1988
Approved for Introduction by a Majority of the Legislative
Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested
and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representative BOUTILIER of Lewiston,
Representative CHONKO of Topsham, Senator GILL of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Make Interim Adjustments and
Establish a Prospective Reimbursement System for
Boarding Care Facilities Serving the
Mentally Retarded.**

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

8 Sec. 1. 22 MRS §7907-A is enacted to read:

1 \$7907-A. Prospective reimbursement system for boarding
2 care facilities serving persons with mental
3 retardation

4 The department shall develop, in consultation with
5 provider and consumer groups, a prospective
6 reimbursement system to be implemented July 1, 1989,
7 for boarding care facilities serving persons with
8 mental retardation. This system shall be based upon
9 actual costs incurred by these facilities in providing
10 their services for fiscal year 1988-89.

11 Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are
12 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the
13 purposes of this Act.

14 1988-89

15 HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

16 Bureau of Medical Services

17 All Other

\$500,000

18 Funds to be used in
19 the Division of
20 Residential Services
21 to provide an
22 additional \$2,000 in
23 support for each
24 person with mental
25 retardation residing
26 in a state-licensed
27 and reimbursed
28 boarding care facility
29 operated by a
30 nonprofit agency.

31 STATEMENT OF FACT

32 Almost 250 persons with mental retardation in
33 Maine reside in state-licensed nonprofit boarding care
34 facilities which have been struggling for several
35 years to keep up with increased costs of providing

1 adequate support and services to these clients.

2 This bill provides a one-time supplement for these
3 persons to allow them to receive the training and
4 support they need and requires the Department of Human
5 Services to establish a prospective payment system
6 starting in fiscal year 1989-1990 which will reflect
7 actual costs of service.

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