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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 2331

H.P. 1698 House of Representatives, February 23, 1988
Approved for introduction by a majority of the
Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.
Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government
suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative THISTLE of Dover-Foxcroft.
Cosponsored by Senators BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, GILL of
Cumberland, and Representative CHONKO of Topsham.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 **RESOLVE, to Extend the Reporting Deadline for**
2 **the Commission on Children in Need of**
3 **Supervision and Treatment.**
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5 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts and resolves
6 of the Legislature do not become effective until 90
7 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies;
8 and

9 Whereas, Resolves 1987, chapter 69 established the

1 Commission on Children in Need of Supervision and
2 Treatment, a commission charged with studying young
3 people, examining society's responsibilities towards
4 these people and reporting back to the Legislature by
5 March 1, 1988; and reporting back to the Legislature by
6 March 1, 1988; and

6 Whereas, the commission has held 3 public hearings
7 and listened to testimony from nearly 100 witnesses,
8 which reflects the input of a substantial body of
9 concerned citizens, and that of a substantial body of
10 concerned citizens; and

10 Whereas, through its meetings, the commission has
11 realized the need to focus on children's civil
12 liberties in addition to completing the commission's
13 studies in other areas; and completing the commission's
14 studies in other areas; and

14 Whereas, there still remains a large quantity of
15 material that the commission must review and discuss,
16 including programs, studies and literature from other
17 states; and programs, studies and literature from other
18 states; and

18 Whereas, the commission still has much ground to
19 cover before it can submit a complete and detailed
20 report to the Legislature, and completion of the
21 report by March 1, 1988 would be an abrogation of the
22 responsibilities given the commission originally; and
23 responsibilities given the commission originally; and

23 Whereas, consequently, this legislation must
24 become effective before March 1, 1988 so that the
25 commission will not be obligated to submit a report to
26 the Legislature by that date; and to submit a report to
27 the Legislature by that date; and

27 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
28 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
29 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
30 legislation as immediately necessary for the
31 preservation of the public peace, health and safety;
32 now, therefore, be it public peace, health and safety;
33 now, therefore, be it

33 Extension authorized. Resolved: That Resolves
34 1987, chapter 69, last paragraph before the emergency
35 clause is amended to read: ~~the emergency~~
36 clause is amended to read:

36 Findings; report. Resolved: That the
37 findings; report. Resolved: That the

1 commission shall present its findings and legislation,
2 as necessary, to the Second First Regular Session
3 of the 113th 114th Legislature by March 1, 1988
4 1989.

5 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency
6 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when
7 approved.

8 STATEMENT OF FACT

9 This resolve extends the reporting deadline for
10 the Commission on Children in Need of Supervision and
11 Treatment.
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