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### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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## ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

No. 2433
In Senate, March 3, 1988
Majority of the Legislative
Appropriations and Financial
ed.
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin, Senator GILL of Cumberland, Representative MANNING of Portland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide Funds for Teenage

3	Suicide Prevention.					
	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine a follows:	as				
6	Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA \$3007 is enacted to read:					

7 §3007. Teenage Suicide Prevention Program

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Department of Educational and Cultural develop and implement a teenage suicide strategy and a model suicide prevention progresented in the secondary schools of the Development of such a program shall preparation of relevant educational materials be distributed in the schools. The base the Department of Educational and Cultural	Service prevent ram to ne Sta include als who oureau a Service	ion be te. ude ich and ces	
10 11 12	may contract, with funds appropriated Legislature for such a purpose, for seminorment the program.	by vices	the to	,1
13 14 15	Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following appropriated from the General Fund to carry purposes of this Act.		are the	ė.
16		1988-8	9	
17 18	MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION, DEPARTMENT OF			
19	Bureau of Mental Health		,	1
20 21 22 23	Positions Personal Services All Other	\$30,00 20,00		./
24	Total	\$50,00	ō	
25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Provides funds for one position within the bureau and funds to be used to contract for services to implement suicide prevention program in schools.			£
32	STATEMENT OF FACT			144
33 34	Suicide is currently the 2nd leading death among teenagers in the nation. There is	cause	of	

currently a lack of relevant data and resources to 2 address this disturbing phenomenon. The purpose of this bill is to provide for a 3 position in the Bureau of Mental Health for the purpose of, in cooperation with the Department of Educational and Cultural Services, developing a teen suicide prevention strategy for the State and preparing and implementing a suicide prevention 5 6 7 8

program in schools in this State.

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