

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1960 House of Representatives, May 4, 1988

Approved for introduction by a majority of the  
Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and  
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Cosponsored by Senators PEARSON of Penobscot, BUSTIN of  
Kennebec and Representative DAVIS of Monmouth.

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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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1                   **AN ACT Concerning Intermediate Care**  
2                   **Facilities for the Mentally Retarded.**  
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4 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
5 follows:

6           **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3186, as repealed and replaced**  
7 **by PL 1987, c. 402, Pt. A, §140, is amended by adding**  
8 **at the end a new paragraph to read:**

1 Principles of reimbursement established for  
2 intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded  
3 shall be amended to implement the recommendations of  
4 the Advisory Committee on Staff Retention. These  
5 amendments shall become effective on April 1, 1989.

6 **Sec. 2. Rules.** The department, in consultation  
7 with the Bureau of Mental Retardation and providers of  
8 community-based services for persons with mental  
9 retardation, shall develop rules regarding in-service  
10 education, as required in the competency-based career  
11 ladder for employees of community-based intermediate  
12 care facilities, for the employees of residential  
13 facilities for the mentally retarded. These rules  
14 shall cover type, content and length of in-service  
15 education programs which are required for advancement  
16 within the proposed career ladder. These rules shall  
17 be promulgated no later than April 1, 1989.

18 **Sec. 3. Appropriation.** The following funds are  
19 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the  
20 purposes of this Act.

21 1988-89

22 HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

23 Intermediate Care - Payment to  
24 Providers

25 All Other

\$215,000

26 Provides funds to be  
27 used as the State's  
28 share of Medicaid  
29 funds to increase  
30 wages and salaries for  
31 direct care and  
32 related staff of  
33 intermediate care  
34 facilities for the  
35 mentally retarded to  
36 levels comparable with  
37 those paid to state

1 employees performing  
2 similar duties in  
3 state institutions.  
4 These funds shall be  
5 effective on April 1,  
6 1989.

7 **Sec. 4. Allocation.** The following funds are  
8 allocated from the Federal Expenditure Fund to carry  
9 out the purposes of this Act.

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1988-89

11 HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

12 Intermediate Care - Payment to  
13 Providers

14 All Other

\$216,100

15 Provides federal  
16 matching funds for  
17 intermediate care  
18 facilities for the  
19 mentally retarded  
20 direct care and  
21 related staff wage and  
22 salary increase,  
23 effective April 1,  
24 1989.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

26 This bill provides funds to increase the wages and  
27 salaries paid to staff in intermediate care facilities  
28 for the mentally retarded.

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