

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, March 6, 1989

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

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JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

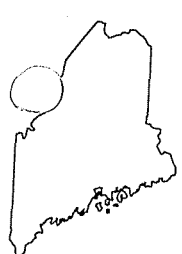
Presented by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake, Representative HICKEY of Augusta and Representative DELLERT of Gardiner.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act To Provide Respite Care for Care Givers of Diagnosed Victims of
Alzheimer's Disease.**



1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

3 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §7307 is enacted to read:**

5 **§7307. Respite Care Fund**

7 The department shall administer the Respite Care Fund for
9 the specific purpose of providing short-term respite care to care
11 givers of victims of Alzheimer's disease. This respite care
shall include short-term nursing or boarding home stays, adult
day care or temporary in-home care.

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

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19	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF	
21	Bureau of Maine's Elderly	
23	Home-based Care Program	
25	All Other	\$200,000
27	Funds to establish the Respite	\$250,000
29	Care Fund.	

31 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

33 This bill provides for short-term respite care for care
35 givers of victims of Alzheimer's disease, including temporary
37 stays in nursing of boarding homes, adult day care or short-term
39 in-home care, by establishing the Respite Care Fund to be
41 administered by the Department of Human Services, Bureau of
Maine's Elderly. This respite care is critical to enable the
care giver to continue supporting the victim of Alzheimer's
disease.