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House of Representatives, March 28, 1989

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative NADEAU of Saco. Cosponsored by Senator CLARK of Cumberland, Representative AULT of Wayne and Representative FOSTER of Ellsworth.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Provide a Cost-of-living Adjustment for Residential Treatment of Emotionally Disturbed Children.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
3	Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.
5	1989-90 1990-91
7	MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL
9	RETARDATION, DEPARTMENT OF
11	Bureau of Children with Special Needs
13	All Other \$49,606 \$101,693
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17.	Provides funds to be used for a 5% cost-of-living adjustment in fiscal year
19	1989-90 and fiscal year 1990-91 for mental health
21	services to emotionally disturbed children in
23	residential treatment centers.
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27	STATEMENT OF FACT
29	For the 2nd consecutive year, there has been no cost-of-living adjustment in the mental health budget for
31	residential treatment of emotionally disturbed children in Maine. An adjustment is necessary to enable residential
33	treatment centers to continue serving these troubled children at the quality and level of services currently being offered.
35	Continuation of the recent funding pattern threatens the existence of these services. This bill provides the funding
37	necessary to maintain these services at current levels.