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House of Representatives, April 11, 1989

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RYDELL of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Representative PINES of Limestone, Representative CARROLL of Gray and Senator BRANNIGAN of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Increase Family Support Services to Maine Families Who
Choose to Care for Their Developmentally Disabled Children at Home.**



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

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

7 **1989-90** **1990-91**
9 **MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION,**
11 **DEPARTMENT OF**

13 **Bureau of Children with Special Needs**

15 All Other **\$805,000** **\$927,250**

17 Provides \$440,000 in 1989-90
19 and \$521,750 in 1990-91 for
21 respite care services in
23 family homes or in licensed
25 respite care homes by trained
27 providers approved by the
29 Bureau of Children with
31 Special Needs, including the
33 costs of training providers
35 and coverage under the
37 State's Respite Care
39 Liability Program and funds
41 to provide respite care to
43 currently unserved
45 populations; provides \$60,000
47 in 1989-90 and \$69,000 in
49 1990-91 to expand the
51 "Respitality" program to a
statewide basis from its
current availability in the
greater Bangor service area
and to provide to families
with planned respite care
opportunities at
participating local hotels;
provides \$35,000 in 1989-90
and \$35,000 in 1990-91 to
establish information and
referral services through
consumer-operated parent and
family advocacy
organizations; provides
\$20,000 in 1989-90 and
\$23,000 in 1990-91 to
establish and maintain local
family and sibling support
groups to provide peer
support to families; provides

1 \$50,000 in 1989-90 and
3 \$50,000 in 1990-91 to provide
5 family therapy services to
7 families with disabled family
9 members for whom other
11 funding sources are not
13 available; provides \$190,000
15 in 1989-90 and \$218,500 in
17 1990-91 to expand case
19 management services to
21 families with children with
23 special needs, ages 0-20
years, in order to identify
service needs and locate,
monitor and coordinate
delivery of services on
behalf of families; and
provides \$10,000 in 1989-90
and \$10,000 in 1990-91 to
develop community
recreational opportunities
for families of children with
special needs.

25 **Bureau of Mental Retardation**

27	All Other	\$195,000	\$222,750
29	Provides \$10,000 in 1989-90 31 and \$10,000 in 1990-91 to 33 develop community 35 recreational opportunities 37 for families of children with 39 special needs; provides 41 \$100,000 in 1989-90 and 43 \$115,000 in 1990-91 to 45 provide respite care services 47 in family homes or in 49 licensed respite care homes 51 by trained providers approved by the Bureau of Mental Retardation, including the costs of training and coverage under the State's Respite Care Liability Program; and provides \$85,000 in 1989-90 and \$97,750 in 1990-91 to establish a pilot placement preservation project in the Cumberland and York County area to maintain persons with mental		

