

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION - 1989

Legislative Document

No. 1273

H.P. 911

House of Representatives, April 20, 1989

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative HIGGINS of Scarborough.

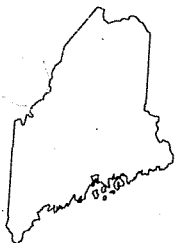
Cosponsored by Representative CARTER of Winslow, Senator PERKINS of Hancock and Senator PEARSON of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Improve Ventilation at the Augusta Mental Health Institute.

(EMERGENCY)



1 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
3 as emergencies; and

5 Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the
6 beginning of the next fiscal year; and

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8 Whereas, the Legislature has determined that immediate
9 action must be taken to meet the need for a more healthy and
10 comfortable environment in critical patient areas at the Augusta
11 Mental Health Institute; and

13 Whereas, an engineering study indicates that a short-term
14 solution to meet this need can be accomplished with a combination
15 of ventilation and air-conditioning improvements; and

17 Whereas, in order to meet this need certain obligations and
18 expenses will become due and payable immediately; and

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20 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
21 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
22 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
23 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
24 safety; now, therefore,

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

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

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32 **1988-89**

33 **FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF**

34 **Rainy Day Fund Program**

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36 Unallocated (\$722,200)

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38 **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**
39 **TOTAL** (\$722,200)

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41 **ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

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43 **Capital Construction, Repairs,**
44 **Improvements - Administration**

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46 All Other \$234,200
47 Capital Expenditures \$488,000

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49 Provides funds for improved
50 ventilation and air
51 conditioning in critical

1 patient areas at the Augusta
Mental Health Institute.
3 These funds shall carry
forward to June 30, 1990.

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7 **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION**
TOTAL \$722,200
9 **TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS** \$ 0

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13 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

19 This bill provides funds from the Rainy Day Fund for
improved ventilation and air conditioning in critical patient
21 areas at the Augusta Mental Health Institute as recommended by an
engineering study of that facility.

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