

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, August 17, 1989

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Received by the Clerk of the House on August 16, 1989. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and 1,400 ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative FOSTER of Ellsworth.

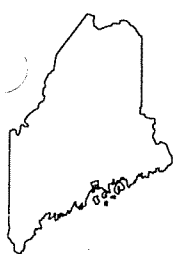
Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Gray, Senator PERKINS of Hancock and Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Continue Vital Community Services.

(EMERGENCY)



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

Whereas, nonprofit community agencies that provide vital community services under contract with the State will receive no increase in funding to cover increased costs until the necessary funds are appropriated by the Legislature; and

Whereas, without a funding increase, there will be a substantial reduction in the level of essential services, such as programs for the mentally retarded, the elderly, children and substance abuse prevention and treatment; and

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

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

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

1989-90

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

All Other \$1,087,500

Provides funds for a 3% cost-of-living adjustment for all community provider agencies that contract with the department.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
TOTAL** \$1,087,500

**MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL
RETARDATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

Mental Health Services - Community

All Other \$426,250

Provides funds for a 3% cost-of-living adjustment for all service providers.

Mental Retardation - Community

All Other \$282,780

2 Provides funds for a 3% cost-of-living
adjustment for all service providers.

4 **Mental Health Services - Children**

6 All Other \$131,700

8 Provides funds for a 3% cost-of-living
adjustment for all service providers.

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12 **DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
AND MENTAL RETARDATION
TOTAL**

\$840,730

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16 **TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

\$1,928,230

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18 **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

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26 This bill appropriates approximately \$1,900,000 to provide
3% funding increases for social services programs operated by
community agencies under contract with the Department of Human
Services and the Department of Mental Health and Mental
Retardation. The funding will partially offset unavoidable cost
increases for personnel, insurance, space and other necessities
and will permit the continuation of these contracted services.

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