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114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION - 1990

Legislative Document

No. 2084

H.P. 1504

House of Representatives, January 4, 1990

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

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative WEBSTER of Cape Elizabeth.
Cosponsored by Representative SMALL of Bath, Representative MacBRIDE of Presque Isle and Senator RANDALL of Washington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Strengthen Drug Abuse Treatment for Children of School Age.

Comment of the comment

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

20-A MRSA §6606 is enacted to read:

§6606. Attendance in substance abuse program required

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The superintendent may require a student found using illegal drugs or alcohol on school grounds to attend a substance abuse program offered by the school. The superintendent may ask the parents of that student to attend the substance abuse program with that student. If the parents do not attend the program, the superintendent may ask the court to order the parents to attend the program. A student's use of illegal drugs or alcohol on school grounds, documentation from the superintendent stating that the parents had been informed of the substance abuse program and the failure of the parents to attend that program are sufficient grounds for the court to order the parents to attend the program.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill allows a school superintendent to require a student found using illegal drugs or alcohol on school grounds to attend a substance abuse program. The superintendent may request the student's parents to attend also and may compel their attendance by obtaining a court order.