

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION - 1990

Legislative Document

No. 2217

S.P. 867

In Senate, January 25, 1990

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

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Gray, Senator GILL of Cumberland and Representative FOSTER of Ellsworth.

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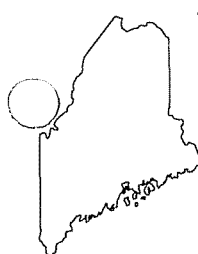
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

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An Act to Maintain Appropriate Residential Care to Clients of Pineland Center.

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(EMERGENCY)



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

Whereas, funding for 10 mental retardation workers at Pineland Center is scheduled to expire on March 31, 1990; and

Whereas, those positions were made temporary under the assumption that the client population at Pineland Center would decrease based upon the development of community placements; and

Whereas, community placements have not adequately developed and placements at Pineland Center can be expected to increase rather than decrease; and

Whereas, it is necessary to have funding made available before the end of March in order to continue these critical direct-care positions; 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  | 1990-91   |
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| <b>MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL<br/>RETARDATION, DEPARTMENT OF<br/>Pineland Center</b>                                                                                 |          |           |
| Positions (10)                                                                                                                                                     |          |           |
| Personal Services                                                                                                                                                  | \$56,073 | \$224,290 |
| Provides funds for the<br>continuation of 10 Mental<br>Retardation Worker I<br>positions at Pineland Center<br>which are scheduled to expire<br>on March 31, 1990. |          |           |

**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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This bill extends funding for 10 direct-care staff positions at Pineland Center beyond the March 31, 1990 expiration date.