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House of Representatives, February 27, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative CARROLL of Gray.

Cosponsored by Representative PINES of Limestone, Senator BRANNIGAN of Cumberland and Representative PENDLETON of Scarborough.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

**An Act to Establish Coordination Services for People Who have
Sustained Traumatic Brain Injury.**

2 All Other \$64,357 \$61,133

4 Provides for the allocation
6 of federal matching funds for
8 case management services for
persons with head injuries.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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14 This bill expands the head injury registry, which is
ineffective due to its current voluntary nature, to a mandatory
16 registry. A mandatory registry will provide accurate, up-to-date
data on the incidence of head injury. This information may be
18 used by Legislators and state agencies as they allocate future
resources and ensure that needed services are provided to people
of the State.

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22 The General Fund appropriation provides for the state share
of Medicaid payments for case management services for persons
with head injuries. Currently, these much needed services are
24 available to individuals with other disabilities, such as mental
retardation and AIDS, but not to persons with head injuries.
26 There is also an allocation to cover the federal share of these
payments. Case management services include assessment, case
28 planning, referrals and follow up, monitoring and evaluation.