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No. 41

S.P. 35

In Senate, January 12, 1993

Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance 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 LUTHER of Oxford

Cosponsored by Representative ERWIN of Rumford and Representative LORD of Waterboro.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act Permitting the Bureau of General Services to Provide Insurance
to Certain Group Homes for Children and for Persons with Mental
Retardation.**



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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1728-A, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1991, c. 376, §21, is further amended by amending the first paragraph to read:

1. **Duties.** The director shall provide insurance advice and services for the State Government and any department or agency thereof for all forms of insurance, except for those departments or agencies and those types of insurance otherwise provided for by law. The director shall provide insurance advice and services for family foster homes, as defined in Title 22, section 8101, subsection 3; respite care providers, as defined in Title 34-B, section 6201, subsection 2-A; group homes for persons with mental retardation, established under Title 34-B, chapter 5; group homes for children, established under Title 34-B, chapter 6; the Casco Bay Island Transit District created by Private and Special Law 1981, chapter 22; and commercial applicators and spray contracting firms that are required to provide proof of financial responsibility in custom application pursuant to Title 22, section 1471-D, subsection 4, and private applicators as defined in Title 22, section 1471-C, subsection 22, who may be required to provide proof of insurance. The director is responsible for the acquisition and administration of all insurance purchased by the State, including the authority to purchase, on a competitive bid basis, insurance for the State for automobile, fire, liability and any other type of coverage necessary to protect the State from financial loss. The director may enter into contracts for various types of claims management services in order to ensure the most economically advantageous insurance protection in the operation of the State's insurance coverage program. In these regards, the director has the following duties:

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill authorizes the Director of the Bureau of General Services to offer insurance services to group homes for children and to group homes for persons with mental retardation.