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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
116TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 983; L.D. 1314, Bill, "An Act Related to Medical Treatment Decisions for Psychotic Disorders"

Amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill establishes 2 new Class C crimes. Sentences of more than 9 months for Class C crimes must be served in a state correctional institution. The cost to the State per sentence is \$42,050 based upon an average length of stay of one year and 9 months. The State also must reimburse counties for sentences served in county jails of 9 months or less for these new crimes pursuant to the communities corrections laws.

This bill establishes a new Class E crime. Sentences imposed for Class E offenses must be served in a county jail. The average cost per sentence for a Class E crime is \$4,188 based upon an average length of stay of 67 days. The additional costs to the counties for the housing of each offender sentenced under this new crime will not require reimbursement by the State.

The Judicial Department may require additional General Fund appropriations to cover indigent defense costs related to these new cases. The amounts can not be estimated at this time. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department's administrative account. The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenues by a minor amount.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.

The Department of Corrections prepared the following correctional impact statement on the original bill pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-A, section 1402:

"L.D. 1314...would create two new Class C offenses and one Class E offense for violations under these proposed sections of the bill. The projected cost for a Class C and E sentence is as follows:

Class C Sentences of more than nine months imposed for a Class C crime must be served in a state correctional institution. The cost per sentence to the state is \$42,050 based on an average length of stay of 1 year and 9 months. The state also pays the cost of sentences served in county jails of 9 months or less in this class.

Class E Sentences imposed for a Class E crime must be served in a county jail. The average cost per sentence for a Class E crime is \$4,188 based on an average length of stay of 67 days."

Reported by the Committee on Human Resources
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