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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "J" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1306, L.D. 1761, Bill, "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1994 and June 30, 1995"

Amend the amendment by inserting after Part CC the following:

**PART DD**

**Sec. DD-1. Bangor Mental Health Institute; continuation of nursing unit.** The Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is directed to retain within the Program on Aging the 10 patients currently in the P-3 nursing unit at the Bangor Mental Health Institute unless appropriate community placements acceptable to the patient or the patient's legal guardian can be made. The department shall maintain adequate staffing in the Program on Aging to carry out the intent of this section.'

Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**FISCAL NOTE**

This amendment may increase the General Fund cost of the bill in fiscal year 1994-95 by requiring the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to maintain adequate staffing beyond current budgeted levels. The exact amount can not be determined. A balanced budget may not be maintained.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

Committee Amendment "A" provides funding of the continuation at the Bangor Mental Health Institute of one nursing unit, including position funding for 3 months. This amendment directs the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to retain within the Program on Aging the 10 patients currently in the P-3 nursing unit at the Bangor Mental Health Institute unless the patient has agreed to acceptable community placement. The department shall maintain adequate staffing in the Program on Aging to carry out the intent of this amendment.

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