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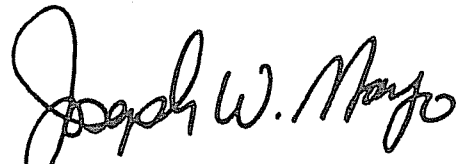
H.P. 1383

House of Representatives, February 15, 1994

**Resolve, to Establish Minimum Standards for Adult and Family Shelters
in the State.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.
Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GEAN of Alfred.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, REED of Falmouth, Senator: ESTY of
Cumberland.

Sec. 1. Working group convened; minimum standards. Resolved:

2 That the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness and Housing
4 Opportunities is directed to convene a working group to develop
6 recommended standards for the operation of adult and family
8 shelters in the State. The membership of the work group must be
10 appointed by the Chair of the Interagency Task Force on
12 Homelessness and Housing Opportunities and must include
consumers, representatives of the Maine Coalition for the
Homeless, the Maine Coalition of Family Crisis Services and other
affected constituencies, including providers of shelter to
families, persons with mental illness and persons with substance
abuse problems; and be it further

14 **Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Interagency Task Force on
16 Homelessness and Housing Opportunities shall submit its
18 recommendations, along with any necessary implementing
legislation, to the 117th Legislature on or before January 15,
1995.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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24 This resolve ensures that a consistent quality of care is
26 provided to homeless adults and families with children in state
shelter facilities. At present, only shelters for homeless
children and youth, as a category, are required to comply with
minimum operational standards. The resolve will define those
standards and introduce a licensing process for adult and family
shelters.

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