

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 56

H.P. 31

House of Representatives, January 9, 1997

An Act to Increase the Fee That May Be Assessed against a Prisoner to Help Defray the Costs of Incarceration.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro.
Cosponsored by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford and
Representatives: CLUKEY of Houlton, SAMSON of Jay, Senator: SMALL of Sagadahoc.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1341, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 1989, c.
375, is further amended to read:

6 **1. Assessment.** When a person is sentenced to incarceration
8 in a county jail, the sentencing court shall consider and may
assess as part of the sentence a reimbursement fee to help defray
10 the expenses of the offender's room and board. The fee may not
exceed the cost of incarcerating the offender or ~~\$20~~ \$60 per day,
12 whichever is less. Any reimbursement fee assessed shall must be
collected by the county treasurer of the county in which the
14 offender is incarcerated, paid into the treasury of that county
and credited to the county responsible for paying for the
incarceration of the offender.

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18 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill increases from \$20 to \$60 per day the fee that may
be assessed against a prisoner in a county jail to help defray
22 the costs of incarceration.