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House of Representatives, January 9, 1997

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Reimbursement to the Counties for Community Corrections.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York and Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, CLUKEY of Houlton, JOYNER of Hollis, PAUL of Sanford, THOMPSON of Naples, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford.

2	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §1210, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1993, c. 431, §§1 to 3, is further amended to read:
6	5. Adjustment to the reimbursement. Beginning-July-17
8	1987,-the <u>The</u> Commissioner of Corrections shall set annually the reimbursement for each county to include all actual costs for the support of prisoners. The actual cost for the support of
10	prisoners shall-be is calculated on the basis of the previous
12	calendar year, for each county, by dividing costs for prisoner support by the total number of days prisoners are detained in that county and prisoners committed to that county serve.
14	Support of prisoners shall-include includes the following line items:
16	A. Personal Services;
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20	B. Contractual Services:
22	(1) Professional fees and services:
	(a) Medical, dental and psychological;
24	(b) In-house correctional programs and community
26	correctional programs as defined in this section;
28	(c) Board of prisoners; and
30	(d) Insurances;
32	(2) Prisoner transportation:
34	(a) Gas and oil; and
36	(b) Auto repairs;
38	(3) Utilities:
40	(a) Electricity;
42	(b) Gas;
44	(c) Sewage and water;
46	(d) Telephone; and
48	(e) Rubbish removal;
50	(4) Rentals;

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	(5) Repairs and maintenance;
2	(6) General operating expenses:
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6	(a) Postage; and
8	(b) Printing; and
0	(7) Other:
1.0	(a) Staff training and education;
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14	C. Commodities:
16	(1) Food;
	(2) Fuel; and
18	(3) Supplies:
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22	<pre>(a) Cleaning;</pre>
24	(b) Institutional; and
	(c) Office;
26	D. Annual debt services on jail facility bonds to the
28	extent that they reflect the actual increase in jail population resulting from net gain of prisoners under Title
30	17-A, section 1203, subsection 1 and Title 17-A, section
32	1252, subsection 1:
	(1) Equipment:
34	(a) Furniture and fixtures; and
36	(2) Buildings; <u>and</u>
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40	E. Capital expenditures, replacement:
4.2	(1) Equipment:
42	(a) Furniture and fixtures; and
44	(b) Vehicles;-and.
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50	The Department of Corrections may not reduce the department's daily reimbursement rate obligation to a county by subtracting
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from a county jail's total expenditures other revenue generated by that county jail.

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SUMMARY This bill prohibits the Department of Corrections from subtracting jail revenues raised by counties from a jail's expenditures. Currently, pursuant to the Department of Corrections Uniform Accounting Report Forms, jail revenues are subtracted from the jail's total expenditures for the purpose of reducing the Department of Corrections reimbursement rate to the counties for housing state prisoners.