

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 515

H.P. 370

House of Representatives, January 28, 1997

An Act to Set a Fixed Rate for Housing of State Prisoners.

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 BUNKER of Kossuth Township.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CLUKEY of Houlton, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MUSE of South Portland, O'NEAL of Limestone, PAUL of Sanford, POVICH of Ellsworth, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §1210, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1985, c.
821, §18, is amended to read:

6 **3. Rate of reimbursement.** The Department of Corrections
8 shall, on a quarterly basis and in a timely fashion, reimburse
each county at an initial a rate of \$34 ~~\$34~~ \$83.75 per prisoner per
day ~~for the period from April 1, 1987, to June 30, 1987.~~
10 ~~Beginning July 1, 1987, subsequent rates shall be established as~~
~~provided in subsection 5.~~ A county desiring to change that rate
12 must petition the Legislature in accordance with the Constitution
of Maine, Article IV, Part Third, Section 18.

14 **Sec. 2. 34-A MRSA §1210, sub-§5**, as amended by PL 1993, c.
16 431, §§1 to 3, is repealed.

18 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill fixes the rate of reimbursement to counties for
22 prisoners at \$83.75 per prisoner per day. It specifies that a
county must petition the Legislature for any desired change in
24 that rate.