

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SPECIAL SESSION-1997

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Legislative Document

No. 1830

H.P. 1285

House of Representatives, April 24, 1997

**An Act to Provide Funding for Mental Retardation Day Services for  
Nonclass Members.**

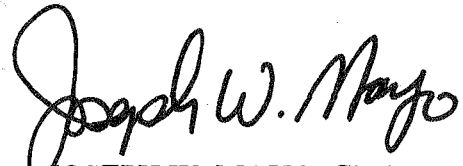
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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 22, 1997. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BERRY of Livermore.  
Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot and  
Representatives: FARNSWORTH of Portland, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, MITCHELL of  
Portland, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senator: NUTTING of Androscoggin.

2           **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not  
become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted  
as emergencies; and

4           Whereas, there are approximately 700 persons on a waiting  
6 list to receive services funded pursuant to this legislation; and

8           Whereas, it is necessary for this legislation to take effect  
immediately so that services may be administered to the people on  
10 the waiting list; and

12           Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts  
create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of  
14 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately  
necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and  
16 safety; now, therefore,

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

20           **Sec. 1. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated  
from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1997-98	1998-99
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26	<b>MENTAL HEALTH, MENTAL RETARDATION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</b>	

28           **Medicaid Services - Mental**  
30           **Retardation**

32	All Other	\$600,000	\$589,925
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34           Provides funds for day  
36           services for people with  
mental retardation who are  
not class members.

38           **Mental Retardation Services -**  
40           **Community**

42	All Other	150,000	160,075
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not class members.

48           **DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,**

2 MENTAL RETARDATION AND  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES  
TOTAL \$750,000 \$750,000

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6 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the  
preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

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### SUMMARY

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12 This bill provides funding to the Department of Mental  
Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to  
14 provide day services to people with mental retardation who are  
not class members.