

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 863

House of Representatives, February 11, 1999

**An Act to Provide for Resident State Police Officers for Municipalities
Without a Police Force.**

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 CLARK of Millinocket.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, STANLEY of
Medway, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, KIEFFER of Aroostook.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §1502**, as amended by PL 1993, c. 123, §1, is
4 further amended by inserting after the 4th paragraph a new
6 paragraph to read:

8 The Chief of the State Police may assign a state police
10 officer to provide police services to a municipality, or 2 or
12 more adjoining municipalities, lacking an organized police
14 department, provided the municipality or municipalities pay the
16 costs of training, compensation, including wages and fringe
18 benefits, equipment and other expenses of the assigned state
20 police officer. The Chief of the State Police shall continue to
22 exercise supervision and direction over a state police officer
24 whose regular assignment is providing police services to a
26 municipality or municipalities. The Chief of the State Police
28 and the municipality or municipalities are authorized to enter
30 into agreements and contracts for police services for a period
not exceeding 3 years per agreement or contract. Revenues
received from a municipality must be allocated for the purpose of
funding the cost of providing the police services.

SUMMARY

26 This bill allows a municipality without an organized police
28 department to contract with the Bureau of the State Police to
30 have a state police officer specifically assigned to provide
police services to the municipality. The municipality must pay
the expense of providing the assigned state police officer.