

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1076

House of Representatives, February 25, 1999

**An Act to Amend Criminal Law Procedures Regarding Defendants  
Found Incompetent to Stand Trial.**

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Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative WINSOR of Norway.  
Cosponsored by Senator BENNETT of Oxford and  
Representatives: PEAVEY of Woolwich, SCHNEIDER of Durham.

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

4 **CONCEPT DRAFT**  
6 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

10 This bill proposes to amend the current law to establish a  
12 procedure to deal with defendants who are found incompetent to  
14 stand trial by a court. Under the procedure established by this  
bill, a defendant found incompetent to stand trial would be  
ordered by the court to be confined by the State for the purpose  
of obtaining treatment. The defendant would be confined until  
the court found that the person was competent to stand trial.