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H.P. 241

House of Representatives, January 25, 2001

**An Act to Implement the Funding Recommendations of the Committee
to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the
Governor Baxter School for the Deaf.**

Reported by Representative LaVERDIERE for the Committee to Develop a Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf, pursuant to Resolve 1999, chapter 127.

Reference to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary suggested and printing ordered under Joint Rule 218.

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

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

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

6 **2001-02**

8 **GOVERNOR BAXTER SCHOOL FOR THE**
10 **DEAF STUDENT TRUST FUND**

12 **Governor Baxter School for the**
12 **Deaf Student Trust Fund**

14 All Other \$5,000,000

16 Provides funds for the Baxter Compensation
18 Program for payment of compensation to
20 former students who were abused at the Maine
22 School for the Deaf or the Governor Baxter
22 School for the Deaf and for operation of the
22 program.

24 **SUMMARY**

26 This bill is a recommendation of the Committee to Develop a
28 Compensation Program for Victims of Abuse at the Governor Baxter
28 School for the Deaf, created by Resolve 1999, chapter 127, Part
30 B. The committee's final report was submitted in December 2000.

32 This bill provides an additional \$5,000,000 to the Governor
32 Baxter School for the Deaf Student Trust Fund to be used to pay
34 compensation and to cover the costs of the operation of the
34 Baxter Compensation Program.