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S.P. 288

In Senate, February 20, 2003

An Act To Authorize County Jails To Purchase Prescription Drugs and Other Medications in Bulk for Prisoners

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative MAKAS of Lewiston and
Senators: CATHCART of Penobscot, DAMON of Hancock, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin,
STRIMLING of Cumberland, Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, McGLOCKLIN of
Emden, PERRY of Calais, SIMPSON of Auburn.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §1559-A** is enacted to read:

6 **§1559-A. Purchasing of prescription drugs and other medication
for prisoners**

8 The sheriff of any county may purchase and store
10 prescription drugs and other medications in bulk quantities to be
12 administered to prisoners as authorized by section 1559. The
14 sheriff may delegate the authority to purchase and store
prescription drugs and other medications to the jail
administrator or the jail administrator's designee or the
facility health care provider.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 **This bill authorizes sheriffs to purchase and store**
20 **prescription drugs and other medications in bulk quantities to be**
22 **administered to prisoners in county jails.**