

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 465

March 12, 2007

### **An Act To Promote Postsecondary Education Opportunities for Juveniles under the Care of the Department of Corrections**

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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 STRIMLING of Cumberland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §1402, sub-§12** is enacted to read:

3 **12. Postsecondary education opportunities in detention facilities.** The  
4 commissioner, in cooperation with the Superintendent of the Long Creek Youth  
5 Development Center and the Superintendent of the Mountain View Youth Development  
6 Center, shall administer a program to provide opportunities for postsecondary education  
7 to juveniles residing in the detention facilities. The commissioner shall by routine  
8 technical rules adopted in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A provide  
9 for the payment of postsecondary education courses and related expenses for juveniles  
10 qualifying under those rules.

11 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and  
12 allocations are made.

13 **CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF**

14 **Long Creek Youth Development Center**

15 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to be used exclusively to provide postsecondary  
16 education opportunities to juvenile residents qualifying under the Maine Revised Statutes,  
17 Title 34-A, section 1402.

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19	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
20	All Other	\$5,000	\$5,000
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22	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>

23 **Mountain View Youth Development Center**

24 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to be used exclusively to provide postsecondary  
25 education opportunities to juvenile residents qualifying under the Maine Revised Statutes,  
26 Title 34-A, section 1402.

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28	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
29	All Other	\$5,000	\$5,000
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31	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>

32 **CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF**

33 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

34 **GENERAL FUND**

35		<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
36	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
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**SUMMARY**

2        This bill makes ongoing appropriations of \$5,000 annually to the Long Creek Youth  
3 Development Center and the Mountain View Youth Development Center in the State to  
4 provide postsecondary education opportunities to juveniles residing in those facilities.  
5 The bill gives the Commissioner of Corrections authority to administer the program and  
6 to pay for courses and related expenses for qualifying juveniles and direction to adopt  
7 routine technical rules.