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An Act To Establish the Progressive Treatment Program Fund

Reported by Representative MEYER of Eliot for the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Resolve 2021, chapter 60, section 3.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

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

2 **Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §3873-B** is enacted to read:

3 **§3873-B. Progressive Treatment Program Fund**

4 **1. Progressive Treatment Program Fund established.** The Progressive Treatment
5 Program Fund, referred to in this section as "the fund," is established as a nonlapsing fund
6 under the administration of the department.

7 **2. Application of fund.** The department shall use the money in the fund to reimburse
8 the legal costs incurred by private entities to initiate and maintain progressive treatment
9 programs in accordance with section 3873-A.

10 **3. Sources of fund.** The following must be paid into the fund:

11 A. All money appropriated for inclusion in the fund;

12 B. Subject to any pledge, contract or other obligation, any money that the department
13 receives in repayment of loans or advances from the fund;

14 C. Subject to any pledge, contract or other obligation, all interest, dividends or other
15 income from investment of the fund; and

16 D. Any other money, including federal money, deposited in the fund.

17 **4. Rulemaking.** The department may adopt rules as necessary to implement this
18 section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in
19 Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

20 **SUMMARY**

21 This bill establishes the Progressive Treatment Program Fund as a nonlapsing fund
22 under the administration of the Department of Health and Human Services. The purpose of
23 the fund is to reimburse the legal costs incurred by private entities for initiation and
24 maintenance of progressive treatment programs.