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Date 6/20/23 Majority L D 1863 (Filing No H- 621)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H P 1193, L D 1863, "An Act to Facilitate the Provision of Medically Appropriate Levels of Care for Clients of Correctional Facilities"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 14 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D) by inserting after the following "clients" the following 'as provided in this subsection'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 14 in paragraph B in the 5th line (page 1, line 15 in L D) by striking out the following "is placed" and inserting the following 'that the process for placement of a client'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 14 in paragraph B in the last line (page 1, line 16 in L D) by inserting after the following "required" the following 'is initiated'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 14 in paragraph D in the last line (page 1, line 24 in L D.) by striking out the following "shall" and inserting the following 'may'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following

'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made

**CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF
Administration - Corrections 0141**

Initiative Provides funding for one Correctional Care Treatment Worker position, 15 Correctional Officer positions, 5 Correctional Officer Cook positions, 3 Correctional Sergeant positions, one Corrections Unit Manager position, contracted medical staffing and related costs to operate a facility to provide assisted living and long-term care services to correctional clients.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0 000	25 000
Personal Services	\$0	\$2,434,594
All Other	\$0	\$5,969,957

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GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$8,404,551
Administration - Corrections 0141		
Initiative Provides one-time funding for a new facility to provide assisted living and long-term care services to correctional clients		
GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
Capital Expenditures	\$0	\$18,000,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$18,000,000
CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF		
DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2023-24	2024-25
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$26,404,551
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$26,404,551

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, clarifies in the bill that the Commissioner of Corrections must ensure that the process for placement of a client in an appropriate facility is initiated within 30 working days of a request. The amendment also authorizes, instead of requiring, the commissioner to place clients in licensed assisted living and nursing facilities in the community. The amendment makes a technical correction. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1863

LR 1372(02)

An Act to Facilitate the Provision of Medically Appropriate Levels of Care for Clients of Correctional Facilities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

A (621)

Fiscal Note

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$26,404,551	\$8,334,958	\$8,415,358
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$26,404,551	\$8,334,958	\$8,415,358

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill establishes and maintains assisted living and long-term care services. It includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$18,000,000 in fiscal year 2024-25 to the Department of Corrections for a new facility to provide assisted living and long-term care services to correctional clients. It also includes a General Fund appropriation of \$8,404,551 in fiscal year 2024-25 for one Correctional Care Treatment Worker position, 15 Correctional Officer positions, 5 Correctional Officer Cook positions, 3 Correctional Sergeant positions, one Corrections Unit Manager position, contracted medical staffing and related costs to operate the facility.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.