

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

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2 judges appointed who shall be residents thereof. Each shall have a term of office of 7 years. Each judge shall receive an annual salary of \$42,086 and the Chief Judge shall receive an annual salary of \$43,186. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall designate one of the judges as Chief Judge. Each judge shall be reimbursed for his expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him in performing his duties, upon presentation to the State Controller of a detailed statement of such expenses approved by the Chief Judge. The Chief Judge, with the advice and consent of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, shall designate one of the District Court Judges as Deputy Chief Judge. The Deputy Chief Judge shall receive compensation of \$500 annually in addition to his annual salary as District Court Judge.

Effective July 25, 1984.

CHAPTER 826

H.P. 1535 - L.D. 2020

AN ACT to Fund Rape Crisis Centers.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA c. 269 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 269

RAPE CRISIS CENTERS

§1661. Legislative intent

The Legislature finds that rape and sexual assault are crimes of violence that are both underreported and increasing in incidence; that victims of rape need support services and counseling that are currently unavailable from traditional medical or legal institutions; that the recent formation of local and regional rape crisis centers has provided rape and sexual assault victims with vital counseling and intervention services; and that the volunteer efforts of these and future rape crisis centers shall be supported and enhanced on a state-wide basis, if possible. The Legislature declares

that it is consistent with public policy to fund counseling and preventive educational programs by rape crisis centers.

§1662. Funds

1. Purposes. The Department of Human Services may receive and disburse funds made available to it for financial support grants or contracts to rape crisis centers for the following purposes:

A. Direct crisis intervention counseling of rape and sexual assault victims;

B. Programs to support a sexual assault victim's interaction with medical, psychological and legal professionals;

C. Programs to advocate and work with the sexual assault victim throughout the court process, but not to provide legal services; and

D. Programs to educate and train the public on rape and sexual assault prevention.

2. Geographic coverage. Insofar as practicable, the department shall make funds available to all areas of the State.

3. Local match. Any rape crisis center which applies for funds under this chapter shall demonstrate a match of either private donations, local funding or in-kind resources in accordance with the Department of Human Services' policies.

§1663. Rules

The Commissioner of Human Services is authorized and directed to adopt rules to implement this chapter to reflect widely accepted and current services which are presently provided. The commissioner shall consult with organizations who counsel rape victims, the Maine Coalition in Rape, and other appropriate parties and shall make allocations based on these recommendations.

§1664. Lapse

Funds made available to the department for the purposes of this chapter, whether from state, federal or private sources, shall not lapse, but shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year to be expended for the same purposes.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1984-85

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Purchased Social Services

All Other \$100,000

Effective July 25, 1984.

CHAPTER 827

H.P. 1857 - L.D. 2458

**AN ACT Relating to Municipal Cost
Components for Fiscal Year 1984-85 and
Providing for a Study of the Unorganized
Territory.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, prompt determination and certification of the municipal cost components in the unorganized territory tax district is necessary to the establishment of a mill rate and the levy of the unorganized territory educational and services tax; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §685-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1979, c. 497, §2, is further amended to read:

4. Land use standards considered as minimum requirements. Land use standards shall be interpreted and applied by the commission as minimum requirements, adopted to reasonably and effectively promote health, safety and general welfare and insure compli-