1 L D 1301 2 (Filing No. H-Date:) CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY 3 4 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 5 STATE OF MAINE 6 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 7 131ST LEGISLATURE 8 FIRST SPECIAL SESSION 9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 826, L.D. 1301, "An Act Regarding 10 Transition Coordination, Prisoner Attendance at Funerals, Furloughs, Visitation, Education 11 and Discretionary Accounts at County Jails" 12 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following: 13 'An Act to Examine the Need for Intensive Case Managers and Improve Consistency 14 Among County Jails Regarding Prisoner Attendance at Funerals, Furloughs, Visitation, Education and Discretionary Accounts' 15 16 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the 17 following: 18 'Sec. 1. County Corrections Professional Standards Council to convene 19 stakeholder group. The County Corrections Professional Standards Council, as 20 described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-A, section 1210-F, shall convene a 21 stakeholder group to examine the need for additional intensive case managers to assist in 22 the transition of prisoners from county jails or other county correctional facilities into the 23 community and examine the consistency among county jails of written policies regarding prisoner attendance at funerals, furloughs, visitation, education and discretionary accounts. 24 25 The County Corrections Professional Standards Council shall invite the participation in the 26 stakeholder group of the Maine Sheriffs' Association, the Department of Health and Human 27 Services and individuals with relevant backgrounds and experience in the administration 28 of county jails and the role of intensive case managers in assisting prisoners at jails and 29 other county correctional facilities in transitioning back into the community. No later than February 15, 2024, the County Corrections Professional Standards Council shall submit a 30 31 report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety that outlines 32 the activities of the stakeholder group, a summary of any rules suggested or proposed to be adopted and any recommendations of the stakeholder group, including proposed 33 34 legislation. After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee may report out

legislation relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

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

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Mental Health Services - Community Z198

Initiative: Provides ongoing funding for 8 Intensive Case Manager positions to assist prisoners at county correctional facilities in transitioning into the community after imprisonment.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	8.000	8.000
Personal Services	\$551,201	\$769,719
All Other	\$38,124	\$50,832
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$589,325	\$820,551

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

17 SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. It requires the County Corrections Professional Standards Council to convene a stakeholder group to examine the need for additional intensive case managers to assist in the transition of prisoners from county jails or other county correctional facilities into the community and examine the consistency among county jails of written policies regarding prisoner attendance at funerals, furloughs, visitation, education and discretionary accounts. It invites the participation in the stakeholder group of the Maine Sheriffs' Association and the Department of Health and Human Services, as well as others. It also requires the stakeholder group to submit a report on the findings of the stakeholder group to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety and authorizes the committee to report out legislation.

The amendment also includes an appropriations and allocations section that provides funding for the Department of Health and Human Services for 8 additional intensive case managers.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)