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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
104th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to H. P. 687,
L. D. 918, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Welfare Assistance."

Amend said Amendment by striking out everything after the
first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

'R. S., T. 22, §4467, repealed and replaced. Section 4467 of
Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted
in place thereof:

§4467. Liability of relatives for support; procedure

The spouse, father, mother and adult children shall support
persons chargeable in proportion to their respective ability. A town,
the State or any kindred of a person who has received general assistance,
having incurred expense for the relief of such person, may complain
to the Superior Court in the county where any of the kindred reside.
The court may cause such kindred to be summoned, and upon hearing or
default may assess and apportion a reasonable sum upon such as are
found to be of sufficient ability for the support of such person to the
time of such assessment, and shall issue a writ of execution. Such
assessment shall not be made to pay any expense for relief afforded
more than 6 months before the complaint was filed. Such complaint may
be filed with the clerk of the court who shall issue a summons thereon,
returnable and to be served as writs of summons are. On motion of either

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party alleging that there are other kindred of ability not named, the
complaint may be amended by inserting their names, and they may be
summoned in like manner and be proceeded against as if originally named.
The court may assess and apportion upon such kindred a sum sufficient
for the future support of such person, to be paid weekly or monthly,
until further order. On application of the town, the State or person
to whom payment was ordered, the clerk may issue or renew a writ of
execution returnable to the next term of the court to collect what may
be due for any preceding period. The court may, from time to time,
make any further order on complaint of a party interested, and after
notice given, alter such assessment or apportionment. On failure to
sustain a complaint, the respondents recover costs.'

Filed by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket.

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