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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1509

H. P. 1255 House of Representatives, March 29, 1979 Referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Brodeur of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Require the Department of Human Services to Provide Services Equally to Intact Families.

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

22 MRSA § 3-C is enacted to read:

§ 3-C. Requirement of provision of services

All programs and services made available by the department, pursuant to state or federal regulations, shall be made available to intact or 2-parent families. The department shall not, deny services to intact or 2-parent families who would be eligible for services except for their family status.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of the bill is to help preserve the family unit by making sure that government programs do not favor disrupted or single-parent families at the expense of intact or 2-parent families.