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An Act to Allow Testing of Pregnant Persons for Drugs Directly Before and After Childbirth

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative DILL of Old Town. Cosponsored by Representatives: HEPLER of Woolwich, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, O'HALLORAN of Brewer.

- 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
  - Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2711 is enacted to read:

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3 §2711. Drug testing of pregnant persons and persons who have given birth

4 A health care provider may perform a blood test on a pregnant person with the person's 5 consent directly before childbirth to determine the presence of any drug or medication prior 6 to administering any drug or medication to the person. The health care provider shall 7 maintain a record of any drug or medication administered to the pregnant person during 8 childbirth. The health care provider may perform a blood test on the person who gave birth with the person's consent to determine the presence of any drug or medication subsequent 9 10 to childbirth. The results of all blood tests under this section must be reconciled prior to a report of drug use being made. If a report of drug use under this section is made, all records 11 12 required to be maintained under this section and the results of all blood tests taken under this section must accompany the report. As used in this section, "health care provider" has 13 the same meaning as in Title 4, section 1201, subsection 10-A. 14

SUMMARY

16 This bill allows a health care provider to administer a blood test before and after 17 childbirth to a pregnant person with the person's consent to determine the presence of drugs 18 or medications and requires a record to be kept of any drug or medication administered to 19 the pregnant person during childbirth. Prior to a report of drug use being made, all blood 20 tests must be reconciled, and all records of drugs and medications administered and the 21 results of the blood tests must accompany the report.