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L.D. 1129

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**STATE OF MAINE
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132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 748, L.D. 1129, "An Act to Clarify Standards for Defendants' Post-judgment Motions for Relief from Protection from Abuse Orders"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §4111, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Action by defendant. A defendant may not file a motion to extinguish a final order issued under this chapter. The court may dismiss a motion to extinguish filed by a defendant without a hearing and before opposition is filed.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment provides that a defendant seeking relief from a protection from abuse order may not file a motion to extinguish a final protection from abuse order and that a court may dismiss such a motion without a hearing and before opposition is filed.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



Approved: 04/17/25 **LRL**

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An Act to Clarify Standards for Defendants' Post-judgment Motions for Relief from Protection from Abuse Orders

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-245).

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost decrease - General Fund
Minor revenue decrease - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

This bill may decrease the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The Judicial Branch may realize some min reduction of workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of cases that will no longer be filed. Collection of filing fees will decrease General Fund revenue by minor amounts.