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S.P. 548

In Senate, March 27, 2025

**An Act to Enhance Data Collection Requirements Related to
Immigration Status and Asylum Seekers to Safeguard Services for
Legal Residents**

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D M Grant".

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BERNARD of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative DUCHARME of Madison and
Senators: HARRINGTON of York, STEWART of Aroostook, Representative: ARATA of
New Gloucester.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3110, sub-§3, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2023, c. 643, Pt. FF, §1, is amended to read:

A. Collecting and analyzing relevant data, including but not limited to systematically collecting and maintaining data on the immigration status of individuals served or supported by the activities of the Office of New Americans and collecting and analyzing data on the outcomes for individuals seeking asylum, including the status and resolution of asylum claims, in order to understand immigration trends and support service delivery;

SUMMARY

This bill requires the Office of New Americans within the Office of Policy Innovation and the Future to systematically collect and maintain data on the immigration status of individuals served or supported by the activities of the office and collect and analyze data on the outcomes for individuals seeking asylum, including the status and resolution of asylum claims, in order to understand immigration trends and support service delivery.