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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 103rd LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 672, L.D. 944, Bill, "An Act Providing for Action in Aid to Dependent Children Cases Involving Fraud."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. R.S., T. 17, §1603-A, additional. Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1603-A, to read as follows:

§1603-A. Fraud against State

Whoever, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the State of Maine, knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals or covers up by any trick, scheme or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both.

Sec. 2. R.S., T. 22, §3756, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3756, to read as follows:

§ 3756. Fraud in obtaining aid, civil recovery

Any sums paid to or in behalf of any person under sections 3741 to 3753, as a result of any false statement, misrepresentation or concealment of assets or income, may be recovered in a civil action brought by the department against the person to whom such money was paid.'

Reported by the Committee on Judiciary.

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