

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 554 Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and 1,000 ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk Presented by Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Orders of Care Pending Hearing in Child Custody Cases.

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

R. S., T. 22, § 3792, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 3792 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 159 of the public laws of 1967, is amended by inserting after the 3rd sentence the following:

The court shall fix a time for hearing on the order of care pending hearing and shall order that notice be given to the parents or guardian of such child in such manner and such length of time as the court deems proper, provided that unless notice is waived in writing by said parents or guardian, hearing shall not be fixed for a time less than 3 days after service is made. If any such child is living in circumstances deemed by the court to present serious, immediate and urgent danger to the child's safety or life, such order of care pending hearing may be made without notice to the parents or guardian.