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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 741, L. D. 1003, Bill,
"AN ACT to Improve the Efficiency and Fairness of the Local
Welfare System."

Amend said Bill in section 2 in that part designated

"§ 4497." by striking out the first 2 underlined sentences
and inserting in place thereof the following: 'In any instance
when it is evident that termination, suspension or reduction of
relief is necessary, the recipient shall be given timely and
advanced notice detailing the reasons for the proposed action
and informing the recipient of his right to request an evidentiary
hearing within 48 hours. Said hearing shall not be held before
the person or body proposing the termination, suspension or
reduction. The person requesting the hearing shall be afforded
the right to confront and cross-examine any witnesses against
him, present witnesses in his own behalf and be represented by
counsel or other spokesman.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

'<u>Sec. 3. Effective date</u>. This Act shall become effective on May 1, 1972.'

## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to limit the right to request a pretermination evidentiary hearing to 48 hours after notice and to clarify the disqualification of certain persons

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with respect to presiding at the hearing. This amendment adds an effective date.

Proposed by Senator:

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COUNTY: Oxford

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