

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 867**

H. P. 687

House of Representatives, March 1, 1979

Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Mr. Pearson of Old Town, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Connolly of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

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**AN ACT to Reinstate Aid to Families with Dependent Children Payments for  
Unborn Children.**

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

**22 MRSA § 3741**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1967, c. 459, § 1, is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

**For the purposes of the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program only, unborn children shall be defined as dependent children and shall receive the same benefits and entitlements as all other eligible dependent children.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will restore Aid to Families with Dependent Children payments to unborn children otherwise eligible. These payments, important for health and nutrition to both child and mother, were arbitrarily dropped by the Department of Human Services in 1975.