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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 568, L.D. 644, Bill, "AN ACT Establishing the Women's Training and Employment Program."

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

'Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1602, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 515, §19, is amended to read:

§1602. Displaced Homemaker Program

The Department of Manpower Affairs shall establish a program to provide job counseling, job training, job placement and referral services to displaced homemakers in cooperation with existing displaced homemaker programs.

- Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §1603, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1979,
 c. 515, §19, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- 1. Powers. The Commissioner of Manpower Affairs, in this chapter referred to as the commissioner, shall be responsible for the program administration of displaced Momemaker programs. The commissioner shall implement these programs by contracting with the existing Displaced Homemaker Program to develop programs in at least 2 unserved areas.
- Sec. 3. 26 MRSA \$1604-A is enacted to read: \$1604-A. Annual report

The commissioner shall report to the Legislature on an annual basis the services provided by this program.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment provides for direct services, such as prevocational, job counseling, training and placement services to displaced homemakers. The Department of Manpower Affairs will contract with the existing Displaced Homemaker Program, previously established by the Legislature but never adequately funded, located in Augusta. This additional funding will provide for the expansion of the Displaced Homemaker Program into previously unserved areas.

The appropriation for this expansion is contained in the Part II budget as follows:

	1981-82	1982-83
All Other	\$92,000	\$98,000

It leaves in council and promulgation of regulations.

Filed by Mr. Murphy of Kennebunk.
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