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7 H.P. 1531

House of Representatives, January 31, 1984

8 Reference to the Committee on Job Training. Ordered printed and sent  
9 up for concurrence.

10 Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule  
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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Benoit of South Portland.

11 Cosponsors: Senator Dow of Kennebec, Representative Rotondi of Athens  
and Representative Joseph of Waterville.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR  
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17 AN ACT to Update the Job Opportunities  
18 Act of 1981.  
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
21 follows:

22 Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §974, sub-§1, ¶¶E and F, as en-  
23 acted by PL 1983, c. 519, §6, are amended to read:

24 E. Recommendations as to further actions which  
25 may be suitable for achieving the purposes of  
26 this chapter; ~~and~~

27 F. A statement of the defaults, if any, of per-  
28 sons, firms, corporations and other organizations  
29 receiving assistance under this chapter. This  
30 information shall also be cumulative and shall  
31 include an annual default rate as a percentage of  
32 the total amount of moneys provided in this chap-  
33 ter; ~~and~~

1           Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §974, sub-§1, ¶G is enacted to  
2 read:

3           G.. A description of the actual and potential em-  
4 ployment opportunities that have been and are be-  
5 ing developed for recipients of Aid to Families  
6 with Dependent Children pursuant to section 979.

7           Sec. 3. 10 MRSA §979 is enacted to read:

8 §979. Employment plan for recipients of Aid to Fami-  
9 lies with Dependent Children

10           1. Employment Plan. The Finance Authority of  
11 Maine and its chief executive officer shall ensure  
12 that each applicant for assistance from the various  
13 programs administered by the authority submits an em-  
14 ployment plan describing potential opportunities for  
15 recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Chil-  
16 dren, including types of jobs, skills and training  
17 necessary for placement, and training the applicant  
18 could provide. This provision shall apply only to  
19 those applicants with more than 5 employees.

20           2. Rules. The Finance Authority of Maine shall  
21 promulgate rules for the implementation of this sec-  
22 tion.

23           Sec. 4. 22 MRSA §3772, sub-§4, as amended by PL  
24 1981, c. 617, §2, is further amended to read:

25           4. Registrant. "Registrant" means an applicant  
26 or a recipient of Aid to Families with Dependent  
27 Children under the United States Social Security Act,  
28 Title IV (A) who has registered with the Welfare, Em-  
29 ployment, Education and Training Program of the De-  
30 partment of Human Services or its successors for man-  
31 power services, education, training, supportive  
32 services and employment under the Work Incentive Pro-  
33 gram or the Work Incentive Demonstration Program pur-  
34 suant to the United States Social Security Act, Title  
35 IV (C) or its successors.

36           Sec. 5. 22 MRSA §3773, as enacted by PL 1981, c.  
37 512, §16, is repealed and the following enacted in  
38 its place:

1 §3773. Maine Aid to Families with Dependent Children  
2 Coordinating Committee

3 1. Committee established. There is established  
4 the Maine Aid to Families with Dependent Children Co-  
5 ordinating Committee, consisting of the Commissioner  
6 of Human Services, Commissioner of Labor and Commis-  
7 sioner of Educational and Cultural Services, or their  
8 designees.

9 2. Committee purpose. The purpose of this com-  
10 mittee is to carry out state policy and legislative  
11 intent to provide educational, training and job op-  
12 portunities for Aid to Families with Dependent Chil-  
13 dren recipients pursuant to this chapter.

14 3. Duties and responsibilities. The duties and  
15 responsibilities of the committee shall include:

16 A. Reviewing the plans of the Welfare Employ-  
17 ment, Education and Training Program:

18 B. Reviewing priorities and allocations of funds  
19 under the Welfare Employment, Education and  
20 Training Program;

21 C. Establishment of an advisory council pursuant  
22 to section 3774;

23 D. Facilitation of the development of training,  
24 educational and placement opportunities pursuant  
25 to section 3775;

26 E. Provision of information to staff of the Wel-  
27 fare Employment, Education and Training Program  
28 about the availability of education and training  
29 opportunities within the State;

30 F. Ensuring that there is substantial coordina-  
31 tion between the Welfare Employment, Education  
32 and Training Program and the Federal Job Training  
33 Partnership Act or its successors; and

34 G. Implementation of any other responsibilities  
35 and duties, in accordance with any pertinent fed-  
36 eral and state law, any additions thereto and any  
37 regulations promulgated under that law.

1           Sec. 6. 22 MRSA §3774, sub-§2, as enacted by PL  
2 1981, c. 512, §16, is amended to read:

3           2. Purpose. The purpose of the advisory council  
4 shall be to advise the ~~Commissioners~~ Commissioner of  
5 Human Services, ~~Manpower Affairs~~ Commissioner of  
6 Labor and Commissioner of Educational and Cultural  
7 Services as they carry out the purposes of this chap-  
8 ter.

9           Sec. 7. 22 MRSA §3776, sub-§§1 and 2, as enacted  
10 by PL 1981, c. 512, §16, is amended to read:

11           1. Authorization. The Department of Human Ser-  
12 vices is authorized to administer and operate,  
13 jointly in cooperation with the Department of Labor  
14 and in consultation with the Department of Education-  
15 al and Cultural Services, a ~~Work Incentive~~ the Wel-  
16 fare Employment, Education and Training Program, in  
17 accordance with federal law, any amendments and addi-  
18 tions thereto, and any regulations promulgated under  
19 those laws.

20           2. Purpose. The purpose of the ~~Work Incentive~~  
21 Welfare Employment, Education and Training Program  
22 shall be to use available educational, vocational,  
23 supportive and employment services within the State,  
24 in order to help recipients find and keep employment  
25 and, to the extent possible, to eliminate their de-  
26 pendency on public assistance.

27           Sec. 8. 22 MRSA §3776, sub-§3, ¶A, as amended by  
28 PL 1981, c. 617, §3, is further amended to read:

29           A. The assessment procedure for each registrant  
30 shall be accomplished through direct personal  
31 contact with staff of the ~~Work Incentive Program~~  
32 or the Work Incentive Demonstration Welfare Em-  
33 ployment, Education and Training Program. The  
34 staff shall be advised by the Department of Edu-  
35 cational and Cultural Services of all available  
36 education and training opportunities, and shall  
37 make that information available to each regis-  
38 trant during the assessment process.

39           Sec. 9. 22 MRSA §3776, sub-§6, as amended by PL  
40 1981, c. 617, §5, is further amended to read:



1 thority of Maine statutes, some of the Job Opportuni-  
2 ties Act provisions were lost. This bill applies  
3 these re-enacted provisions to all of the programs  
4 included under the Finance Authority of Maine.

5 The 3rd purpose of this bill is to make minor  
6 technical changes necessary to update the Job Oppor-  
7 tunities Act.

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