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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1589, L.D. 2099,  
Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Statutes Relating to Hand-  
icapping Conditions Under the Human Services Law."

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Amend the bill in section 2, in that part design-  
ated "§1531." in the 6th line (page 2, line 1 in  
L.D.) by inserting after the underlined words "by the  
department" the following: ', except an infant whose  
parents object to this procedure on the grounds that  
it conflicts with their religious tenets and  
practices'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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Many other Maine statutes protect the rights of  
Christian Scientists who rely solely on their religi-  
ous practice for the prevention and cure of dis-  
ease. The Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1532  
of this legislative document contains a similar pro-  
vision.

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Without this provision, the bill could intrude on  
constitutional rights of freedom of religion and par-  
ents' rights.

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