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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

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7 S.P. 852

In Senate, March 19, 1984

8 Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule
9 24.

10 Referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent
down for concurrence and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Bustin of Kennebec.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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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 Allow Access to Financial
18 Records of Public Assistance Recipients.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 Sec. 1. 9-B MRSA §161, sub-§2, ¶¶F and G, as en-
23 acted by PL 1977, c. 416, are amended to read:

24 F. The exchange in the regular course of busi-
25 ness of credit information between a fiduciary
26 institution and other fiduciary institutions or
27 commercial enterprises, directly or through a
28 consumer reporting agency; ~~or~~

29 G. Any disclosure of records made pursuant to
30 section 226-~~;~~ ;

31 Sec. 2. 9-B MRSA §161, sub-§2, ¶H, as enacted by
32 PL 1981, c. 706, §1, is amended to read:

1 H. The making of reports to the State Tax Asses-
2 sor required under Title 36, section 3851 and the
3 examination of the financial records authorized
4 by Title 36, section 112- ; or

5 Sec. 3. 9-B MRSA §161, sub-§2, ¶I is enacted to
6 read:

7 I. Any disclosure of records made pursuant to
8 Title 22, section 16.

9 Sec. 4. 22 MRSA §16 is enacted to read:

10 §16. Access to financial records of deposit accounts
11 of recipients of public assistance

12 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this sec-
13 tion, unless the context indicates otherwise, the
14 following terms have the following meanings.

15 A. "Financial institution" means a trust compa-
16 ny, savings bank, industrial bank, savings and
17 loan association or credit union organized under
18 the laws of this State or otherwise authorized to
19 do business in this State.

20 B. "Match" means a comparison by name and social
21 security number of individuals included in any
22 public assistance roll with individuals included
23 in records of deposit accounts in any financial
24 institution.

25 C. "Public assistance" means aid, assistance or
26 benefits available through:

27 (1) A program of aid to families with de-
28 pendent children administered in this State
29 pursuant to chapter 1053;

30 (2) A program of medical assistance admin-
31 istered in this State pursuant to chapter
32 855; or

33 (3) Any other program that is based on need
34 and is conducted or administered by this
35 State.

