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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 42

7 S.P. 34

In Senate, January 10, 1985

8 Submitted by the Executive Department, Division of Community Services
9 pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

10 Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered
printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Berube of Androscoggin.

11 Cosponsored by Representative Melendy of Rockland, Representative
Manning of Portland and Representative Pines of Limestone.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Amend the Social Services Planning
18 and Expenditures Act.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1641, as enacted by PL 1983, c.
23 495, is amended to read:

24 §1641. Intent

25 It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage
26 cooperation among state departments and to facilitate
27 and encourage public participation in social service
28 policy making by requiring the submission of a Maine
29 Social Services Plan Report to the joint standing
30 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
31 appropriations and financial affairs and the joint
32 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdic-
33 tion over health and institutional services.

34 Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1642, sub-§1, as enacted by PL
35 1983, c. 495, is amended to read:

1 1. Departments. "Departments" means the Depart-
2 ment of Human Services, the Department of Mental
3 Health and Mental Retardation and the Division of
4 Community Services.

5 Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §1642, sub-§1-A is enacted to
6 read:

7 1-A. Division. "Division" means the Executive
8 Department, Division of Community Services.

9 Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §1642, sub-§2, as enacted by PL
10 1983, c. 495, is repealed.

11 Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §1642, sub-§2-A is enacted to
12 read:

13 2-A. Report. "Report" means the document embody-
14 ing the Maine Social Services Report.

15 Sec. 6. 5 MRSA §1643, as enacted by PL 1983, c.
16 495 is repealed and the following enacted in its
17 place:

18 §1643. Maine Social Services Report

19 The departments and division, as defined in sec-
20 tion 1642, shall prepare a written report of social
21 service and related health and medical services in-
22 formation, including anticipated federal funding, an-
23 anticipated current services budget figures, policy
24 matters, service priorities and their estimated costs
25 and other program issues pertaining to operations.
26 Copies of the report shall be provided to the joint
27 standing committee of the Legislature having juris-
28 isdiction over health and institutional services and
29 the joint standing committee of the Legislature hav-
30 ing jurisdiction over appropriations and financial
31 affairs and shall be widely distributed to the public
32 and community social service agencies.

33 The report containing all recommendations for the
34 upcoming biennium shall be presented to the Legisla-
35 ture concurrently with the timetable provided in sec-
36 tion 1666 and its successors. An updated report shall
37 be presented to the Legislature at the Second Regular
38 Session.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The Social Services Planning and Expenditure Act is amended to remove provisions inconsistent with the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1666 and its successors. This bill provides for a Maine Social Services Report which annually compiles program and budget information on the social services programs administered by the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Division of Community Services.

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