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ONE	HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGI	SLATURE
Legislative Doc	ument	No. 1065
S.P. 385	In	Senate, March 19, 1985
Referred to t ordered printed.	he Committee on Judiciary. Sent dov	wn for concurrence and
	JOY J. O'BRIEN	, Secretary of the Senate
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	to Amend Certain Provisi	
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Sec. 2. read:	19 MRSA §581, sub-§12	is enacted to

- 12. Special consideration for education. For new actions commenced after January 1, 1986, nothing may prevent the court from entering an order of child support for or on behalf of an unemancipated child, which order may require the continuation of child support until the child has completed his secondary education even though he may have already attained his 18th birthday.
- Sec. 3. 19 MRSA §752, sub-§14 is enacted to
 read:
- 14. Special consideration for education. For new actions commenced after January 1, 1986, nothing may prevent the court from entering an order of child support for or on behalf of an unemancipated child, which order may require the continuation of child support until the child has completed his secondary education even though he may have already attained his 18th birthday.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Current law in Maine pertaining to child support payments requires child support to terminate when a minor child attains the age of 18 years whether or not the child has finished high school. These changes allows a court to order support payments, in an appropriate situation, to continue until the child finishes high school even if the child has already attained his 18th birthday.

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