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L.D. 1373
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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
112TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 954, L.D. 1373,
Bill, "AN ACT Concerning the Removal of Child Abusers
from the Household."

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and
before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency Preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
lature do not become effective until 90 days after
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the incidence of reported child abuse
has increased greatly in Maine; and

Whereas, the law is inadequate in that it does
not allow the removal of the perpetrator from the
home of the child; and

Whereas, this creates as unjust situation which
may require the removal of the victim from the home,
an action which reinforces the loss of worth felt by
the victim and delays recovery from the trauma; and

Whereas, delay in correcting this will result in
unnecessary suffering by individuals who have already
been victimized; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
the Constitution of Maine and require the following
legislation immediately necessary for the preserva-
tion of the public peace, health and safety; now,
therefore, '

Further amend the bill by inserting before the
statement of fact the following:

