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H.P. 74

House of Representatives, December 31, 1990

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RICHARDS of Hampden.
Cosponsored by Representative HANLEY of Paris.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Dispense with Final Hearings in Uncontested Divorces or
Modifications to Decrees.

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2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

3 **19 MRSA §318**, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 834, Pt. A, is
4 amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

5 If the court or hearing officer is satisfied that the amount
6 of child support stipulated by the parties is in substantial
7 compliance with the presumptive application of the guidelines and
8 that no other matter is at issue in the divorce, the court may
9 enter an order that effectuates the stipulation without holding a
10 final hearing.

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14 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

15 This bill provides that a final hearing in an uncontested
16 divorce case need not be held if the parties stipulate child
17 support in an amount that substantially complies with the child
18 support guidelines.
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