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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot

Cosponsored by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec, Representative MANNING of Portland and Representative DAGGETT of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Reduce Duplication at the Department of Human Services.

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

2 22 MRSA §6-A is enacted to read:

4 **§6-A. Delivery of income maintenance programs**

6 By July 1, 1993, the commissioner shall organize the
8 department's income maintenance programs in a manner that allows
citizens to apply for all income maintenance programs
10 simultaneously. Each income maintenance caseworker must be
trained to determine eligibility in all income maintenance
12 programs administered by the department. Income maintenance
programs include, but are not limited to, the following: food
14 stamps; aid to families with dependent children; medical
assistance; welfare employment, education and training; and
16 additional support for people in retraining and education.

18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

20 Presently, applicants for income maintenance programs
22 administered by the Department of Human Services must apply to
several programs separately, often meeting with several
24 caseworkers in several locations. The bill requires that
caseworkers be trained to determine eligibility in all programs
26 so that applicants may apply for all programs simultaneously.