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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 116TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "J" to S.P. 117, L.D. 318, Bill, "An Act to 14 Protect Reproductive Privacy in Maine"

16 Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 1 in the 4th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "<u>section</u> 18 <u>1597-A</u>" and inserting in its place the following: '<u>sections</u> 1597-A and 1598-A'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the 22 following:

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Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §1598-A is enacted to read:

26 **§1598-A.** Information provided to women seeking pregnancy tests

1. Health care provider to provide information. At the time of performing a pregnancy test for a woman, a health care
provider shall give her an information sheet as provided under subsection 2.

 2. Preparation and distribution of information. The
34 Department of Human Services shall prepare and distribute to all health care providers that perform pregnancy tests in this State
36 sufficient copies of the information sheet required pursuant to subsection 1. The sheet must contain the options and services
38 available to a woman if she is pregnant, including adoption, abortion and family financial support services and the telephone
40 numbers of the appropriate divisions or bureaus within the department for her to call if she chooses to obtain more
42 information on any of her options.'

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Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

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HOUSE AMENDMENT

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

## **FISCAL NOTE**

The Department of Human Services will incur some minor additional costs to distribute the sheet containing service information including phone numbers to health care providers that perform pregnancy tests. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

## STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment directs a health care provider to give a woman for whom that provider is performing a pregnancy test an information sheet on the options available to her if she is pregnant. The information sheet must contain the appropriate telephone numbers within the Department of Human Services for a woman to call if she wants information on adoption, abortion and family financial support services. The Department of Human Services is responsible for the preparation and distribution of this sheet. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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