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STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 401, L.D. 514, Bill, "An Act to Strengthen the State's Support Laws"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §481, as amended by PL 1989, c. 834, Pt. B, §8, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 19 MRSA §483, as amended by PL 1971, c. 544, §62, is further amended to read:

§483. Earnings of persons sentenced

When any person is sentenced to hard labor and actually employed in such labor in a county jail or ~~any other~~ another county correctional institution or reformatory on account of any sentence imposed under ~~sections 481 and~~ section 486, the keeper of said the jail or other institution or reformatory shall certify at the end of each week to the county commissioners the number of days during which such the person shall ~~have been~~ was actually employed in said the jail, and the county commissioners shall ~~thereupon~~ draw their order upon the county treasurer for a sum equal to 50¢ for each day's hard labor so performed by such the person, and the same shall ~~thereupon~~ must be paid forthwith by the county treasurer to the wife spouse of such the person or to the guardian or custodian of his ~~or her~~ the person's minor child or children, or to any an organization or individual as trustee which ~~shall be~~ approved by the court imposing such the sentence.

Sec. 3. 19 MRSA §486, last ¶, as amended by PL 1975, c. 293, §4, is repealed.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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6 This amendment replaces the bill. It repeals the provision
8 in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19 making nonsupport of
10 dependents a crime. This section is not necessary because Title
17-A, section 552 already criminalizes the conduct and provides
for extended probation to assist in enforcing support awards.
The amendment also amends the sections in Title 19 that make
reference to the repealed section.

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