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No. 752

H.P. 555

House of Representatives, March 2, 1993

An Act to Allow Courts to Allocate between Divorced Parents the Costs of Postsecondary Education.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative FARNSWORTH of Hallowell.

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

2 Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §303, sub-§2, ¶A-1 is enacted to read:

4 A-1. Is accepted for a full-time postsecondary education
6 program before graduation from secondary school.
8 Notwithstanding paragraph A, for decrees issued after
10 January 1, 1994, a decree remains in force, subject to
12 modification by the court only for the purposes of
14 allocating the actual costs of tuition, room and board for
16 the child, until the child graduates, withdraws or is
18 expelled from that postsecondary education program,
20 whichever first occurs. The decree may not continue for
22 more than 4 years from the date of the child's graduation
24 from secondary school;

STATEMENT OF FACT

20 This bill preserves educational opportunities for children
22 of divorced parents by continuing support decrees for children
24 enrolled in full-time postsecondary education programs for up to
 4 years following high school graduation, as long as they remain
 full-time students.