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H.P. 1210

House of Representatives, January 5, 1994

An Act to Require Disclosure of Corporate Interests in Applications for Public Assistance.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26. Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative ZIRNKILTON of Mount Desert. Cosponsored by Senator: FOSTER of Hancock.

Вe	it	enacted	by	the	Peop	le of	the	State	of	Maine	as	follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3108 is enacted to read:

§3108. Consideration of certain assets

To the extent permitted under federal law, the State or a municipality shall require an applicant for assistance under section 3104, chapter 855, 1053 or 1151 or any other program of public assistance administered by the department that considers an applicant's assets in determining eligibility to disclose the applicant's interest in any corporation, and the value of the applicant's interest in the corporation must be taken into consideration, to the extent it is transferrable, in calculating the applicant's assets.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require applicants for food stamps, Medicaid, aid to families with dependent children, general assistance and any other program of public assistance administered by the Department of Human Services to disclose any interest that the applicant has in a corporation. It also requires that interest be included in the applicant's assets, to the extent that the interest is transferrable.

This document has not yet been reviewed to determine the need for cross-reference, stylistic and other technical amendments to conform existing law to current drafting standards.