

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 18

House of Representatives, January 12, 1995

**An Act to Change the Meaning of Household Members Regarding  
Protective Orders between Family Members.**

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Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DESMOND of Mapleton.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, DONNELLY of Presque Isle,  
GATES of Rockport, SIROIS of Caribou, TREAT of Gardiner, VOLENIK of Sedgwick.

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

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**Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §321, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 619,  
4 is amended to read:

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**1. Definition.** For purposes of this section, "family or  
household members" means spouses or former spouses, individuals  
8 presently or formerly living as spouses, natural parents of the  
same child or adult household members related by consanguinity or  
10 affinity. Holding oneself out to be a spouse shall ~~is~~ not be  
necessary to constitute "living as spouses."  
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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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This bill changes the definition of "family or household  
members" to include nonadult household members related by  
18 consanguinity or affinity for purposes of protective orders in  
crimes between family members.