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## 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1995

Legislative Document

No. 374

H.P. 272

House of Representatives, February 1, 1995

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

An Act to Shift from Small Business Owners to the Department of Labor the Responsibility for Providing the Department of Human Services with Information on New Employees.

Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

Presented by Representative AULT of Wayne.

Cosponsored by Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, BARTH of Bethel, DAMREN of Belgrade, DiPIETRO of South Portland, GUERRETTE of Pittston, LEMONT of Kittery, VIGUE of Winslow, WINN of Glenburn, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CASSIDY of Washington, HATHAWAY of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, SMALL of Sagadahoc, STEVENS of Androscoggin.

2	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §777-C, as corrected by RR 1993, c. 1, §42,
4	is repealed.
6	Sec. 2. 19 MRSA §777-E is enacted to read:
8	§777-E. Reporting employment information
LO	1. Employment information. The Commissioner of Labor shall
	report all information received from employers on the hiring,
L2	rehiring or return to work of an employee to the Department of
	Human Services. The commissioner shall submit the report within
14	7 days of receiving the information from an employer.
16	2. Retention of records. The Department of Human Services
	may retain the information for a particular employee only if the
8	department is responsible for establishing, enforcing or

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

collecting a support obligation or debt of the employee. If the employee does not owe such an obligation or a debt, the

department may not create a record regarding the employee and the information contained in the report must be destroyed promptly.

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This bill repeals the section of law that requires an employer to report the hiring, rehiring or return to work of an employee to the Department of Human Services. The bill also enacts new law that requires the Department of Labor to report information it receives from employers on the hiring, rehiring or return to work of employees to the Department of Human Services.