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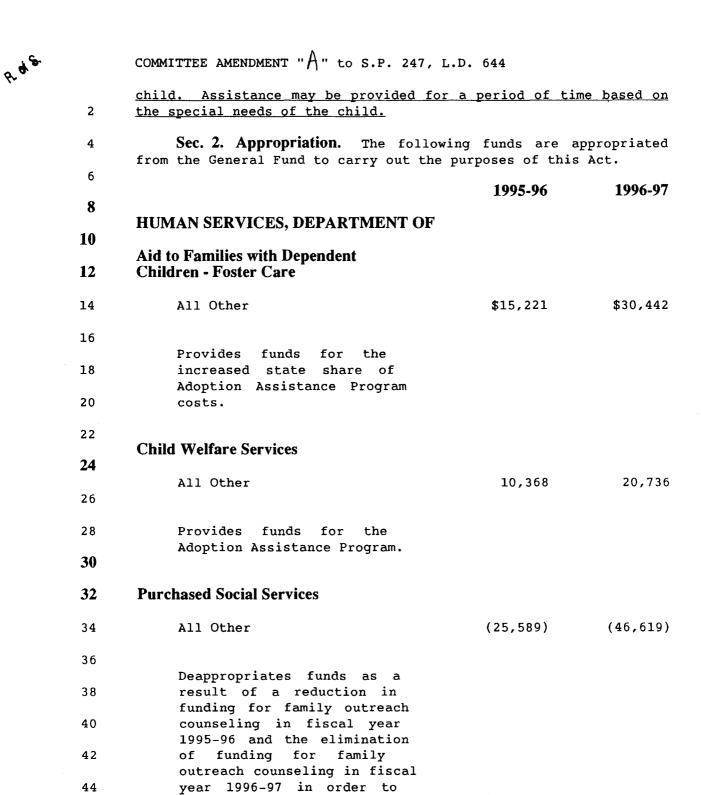


L.D. 644

2	DATE: May 4, 1995 (Filing No. S-109)
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6	HUMAN RESOURCES
8	Reported by: Senator PENDEXTER of Cumberland for the Committee.
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12	STATE OF MAINE
14 16	SENATE 117TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 247, L.D. 644, Bill, "An
20	Act to Expand Eligibility for Benefits under the Adoption Assistance Program"
22	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting
24	clause and before the emergency clause and inserting in its place the following:
26	'Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §1142, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 686, §5 and
28	affected by $\S13$, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
30	§1142. Adoption assistance
32	1. Application. Applications for the Adoption Assistance
34	Program may be submitted by the following persons:
36	A. Foster parents interested in adopting an eligible child in their care;
38	B. Other persons interested in adopting an eligible child;
40	and
42	C. Adoptive parents who were not informed of the program or of facts relevant to the child's eligibility when they
44	adopted a child who was at the time of adoption eligible for participation in the program.
46	2. Standards. All applicants for the Adoption Assistance
48	Program must meet department standards for adoption except for financial eligibility.
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52	3. Assistance. Assistance may be provided for special needs only and may be varied based on the special needs of the

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Social Services - Regional

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4	All Other		(4,559)
6	Deappropriates funds due to a reduction in general		
8	operating expenses in order to provide funds for the		
10	Adoption Assistance Program.		
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14	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES		
16	TOTAL	-\$0-	-\$0-
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20	Sec. 3. Allocation. The following fund Federal Expenditure Fund to carry out the		
22		1995-96	1996-97
24	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
26	Aid to Families with Dependent Children - Foster Care		
28	All Other	\$26,251	\$ 52,502
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32	Allocates funds representing the federal share of the		
34	increased funding for the Adoption Assistance Program.'		
36	Further amend the bill by inserting	g at the end	before the
38	statement of fact the following:	•	
40	'FISCAL NOTE		
42		1995-96	1996-97
44	APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS		
46	Other Funds	\$26,251	\$52,502
48	REVENUES		
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	Other Funds	\$26,251	\$52,502

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This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$25,589 and \$51,178 and Federal Expenditure Fund allocations of \$26,251 and \$52,502 in fiscal years 1995-96 and 1996-97, respectively, for the Department of Human Services to expand the Adoption Assistance Program.

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This bill also includes total General Fund deappropriations of \$25,589 and \$51,178 in fiscal years 1995-96 and 1996-97, respectively, from the Department of Human Services as a result of reductions in funding to family outreach counseling in fiscal year 1995-96 and a reduction in regional general operating expenses along with the elimination of funding for family outreach counseling in fiscal year 1996-97, in order to offset the General Fund cost of the Adoption Assistance Program.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment rewrites the bill for purposes of clarity. It makes no substantive changes. It adds a fiscal note.

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