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H.P. 864

House of Representatives, April 5, 1995

An Act to Award Child Support Payments Directly to the Recipient.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 19 MRSA §497-B, sub-§11** is enacted to read:

6 11. Payment to custodial parent. Unless the department is
8 enforcing or collecting the support obligation, the responsible
parent shall pay directly to the custodial parent the following
amounts:

10 A. The current parental support obligation established
12 under this section;

14 B. The amount of any debt due the custodial parent for past
necessary support; and

16 C. A proportionate share of uninsured medical expenses.

18 Nothing in this subsection relieves the obligation of the
20 responsible parent to pay any debt due the department directly to
the department.

22 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

24 This bill requires a responsible parent to pay support
26 directly to the custodial parent when the Department of Human
Services has established the amount of the obligation, and the
28 custodial parent has not requested the Department of Human
Services to enforce the obligation.
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