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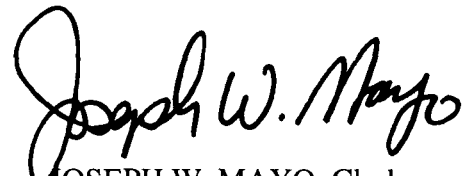
H.P. 1012   House of Representatives, April 27, 1995

An Act to Promote Family Self-sufficiency by Changing the Welfare
Rules Governing the Disregard Period.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3741-M is enacted to read:

§3741-M. Requirement to apply for a federal waiver to phase in the loss of Aid to Families with Dependent Children benefits by a working person over a 2-year period.

No later than November 1, 1995, the department shall apply for a waiver from the United States Department of Health and Human Services to phase in the loss of Aid to Families with Dependent Children benefits by a working person over a 2-year period. Also during that 2-year period, the person would continue to receive child care benefits, Medicaid and job training benefits, including benefits through the Additional Support for People in Retraining and Education - Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Training (ASPIRE-JOBS) Program.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1995-96	1996-97
HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Job Training for Welfare Recipients		
All Other	$250,000	$250,000

Provides funds for matching funds for federal job training funds for welfare recipients.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill directs the Department of Human Services to apply for a waiver from the Federal Government to phase in the loss of Aid to Families with Dependent Children benefits by a working person over a 2-year period. Also during that 2-year period, the person would continue to receive child care benefits, Medicaid and job training benefits. The bill also appropriates $500,000 for matching funds for federal job training funds for welfare recipients.