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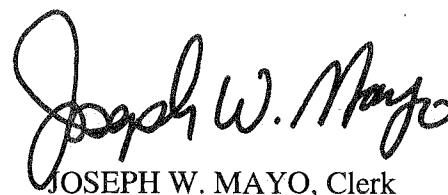
No. 331

H.P. 267

House of Representatives, January 23, 1997

**An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Commission to Study
Poverty Among Working Parents with Regard to a Living Wage in State
Subcontracted Work.**

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth.
Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and
Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, LEMAIRE of
Lewiston, THOMPSON of Naples, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1825-B, sub-§11 is enacted to read:

11. Contract compensation. A contract or subcontract under a contract with a private entity to provide personal services or goods and personal services to or for the State may not be entered into, given or renewed by the State unless the contract requires prescribed rates of compensation as determined by the Bureau of Human Resources.

A. The Bureau of Human Resources shall establish a classification of jobs and wages for the classes of personal services required under each contract and subcontract.

B. The classification of jobs and wages must include direct compensation of at least \$11.54 per hour and indirect compensation in the form of payments to health benefit plans and retirement plans.

C. Limited-period positions utilized to replace persons on leave of absence for less than one year are not covered by the requirements of this subsection.

D. The Bureau of Human Resources shall adopt rules to implement this subsection. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

SUMMARY

This bill requires state contracts and subcontracts for personal services to ensure that the rate of pay under the contracts and subcontracts is at least \$11.54 per hour in direct compensation plus indirect compensation in the form of health and retirement benefits. The Bureau of Human Resources is directed to adopt rules to implement this provision.