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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
118TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 390, L.D. 535, Bill, "An Act to Ban Partial Birth Abortions"

Amend the amendment in the 3rd indented paragraph after the title by striking out the first 2 lines (page 1, lines 31 and 32 in amendment) and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1596, sub-§2, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 274, §1, is amended to read:

2. **Abortion reports.** A report of each abortion performed shall must be made to the Department of Human Services on forms prescribed by the department. These report forms shall may not identify the patient by name or otherwise and shall must contain only the information requested on the United States Standard Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy, published by the National Center for Health Statistics, dated January 1978, or any more recent revision of a standard report form, as well as the type of abortion procedure used.

The form containing that information and data shall must be prepared and signed by the attending physician and transmitted to the department not later than 10 days following the end of the month in which the abortion is performed.

A physician who reports data on an abortion pursuant to this section shall ~~be~~ is immune from any criminal liability for that abortion under section 1598.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1598, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1993, c. 61, §2, is further amended to read:'

HOUSE AMENDMENT

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 390, L.D. 535

2 Further amend the amendment in the 4th indented paragraph
after the title by striking out all of the first 2 lines (page 1,
4 lines 46 and 47 in amendment) and inserting in their place the
following:

6 'Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §1598, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1979, c.
405, §2, is amended to read:'

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FISCAL NOTE

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12 This amendment adds a reporting requirement. The Department
of Human Services will incur some minor additional costs to
14 revise forms for required abortion reporting and to process the
additional information included in these abortion reports. These
16 costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted
resources.

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SUMMARY

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24 This amendment requires physicians who perform abortions to
report the abortions procedure used when reporting abortions
information to the Department of Human Services. This will
26 result in better data for abortions in this State.

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SPONSORED BY:



(Representative PLOWMAN)

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TOWN: Hampden

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