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**STATE OF MAINE
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118TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 490, L.D. 661, Bill, "An Act to Require a 24-hour Waiting Period before an Abortion May Be Performed"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

Sec. 6. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1997-98	1998-99
HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Health - Bureau of		
Positions - Legislative Count	(1,000)	(1,000)
Personal Services	\$21,651	\$24,342
All Other	28,500	26,600
TOTAL	\$50,151	\$50,942

Provides funds for one 10-hour per week Public Health Educator III position and one 20-hour per week

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Clerk Typist II position to develop and distribute the geographically indexed materials.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

1997-98 1998-99

APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

General Fund \$50,151 \$50,942

The Department of Human Services will require additional General Fund appropriations of \$50,151 in fiscal year 1997-98 and \$50,942 in fiscal year 1998-99 to support part-time staff to develop and distribute the geographically indexed materials, including the required pictures of the development of the fetus at 2-week increments. These appropriations are included.

This bill may increase prosecutions for Class D and Class E crimes. If a jail sentence is imposed, the additional costs to the counties are estimated to be \$83.78 per day per prisoner. These costs are not reimbursed by the State. The number of prosecutions that may result in a jail sentence and the resulting costs to the county jail system are expected to be insignificant.

The Judicial Department will require additional General Fund appropriations to cover indigent defense, expert witnesses, security and additional staffing costs related to these new cases. The amount and the timing of General Fund appropriations necessary to cover these additional expenditures can not be determined at this time. The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of additional filing fees may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

2 The revocation of physicians' licenses for noncompliance
with certain requirements pertaining to abortions will result in
4 insignificant decreases of dedicated revenue to the Board of
Licensure in Medicine, which is affiliated with the Department of
Professional and Financial Regulation, from license fees.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing
12 Committee on Judiciary. It adds an appropriation section and a
fiscal note to the bill.

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