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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1287, L.D. 1832, "Resolve, to Establish the Task Force to Study Strategies to Support Parents as Children's First Teachers"

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the first paragraph in the 2nd line (page 1, line 39 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "18" and inserting in its place the following: '20'

Further amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 9 in the first line (page 2, line 18 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "parents" and inserting in its place the following: 'members at large'

Further amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 10 in the last line (page 2, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and"

Further amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 11 in the last line (page 2, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "." and inserting in its place the following: ';'.

Further amend the resolve in section 2 by inserting after subsection 11 the following:

'12. One member representing the Child Development Services System, designated by that program; and

13. One member representing the Maine Parent Federation, designated by that program.'

Further amend the resolve in section 6 in the 2nd line (page 3, line 40 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Legislative Council" and inserting in its place the following: 'Department of Human Services'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

AWS

2 Further amend the resolve in section 8 in the last line
4 (page 4, line 3 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "." and
inserting in its place the following: "; and be it further"

6 Further amend the resolve by inserting after section 8 the
8 following:

10 'Sec. 9. Budget authorization. Resolved: That the Commissioner
12 of Human Services shall utilize the department's existing
14 budgeted resources to review and report on the matters pursuant
to section 5 of this resolve. The commissioner may accept and
administer any outside funds contributed to support the work of
the task force.'

16 Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the
18 summary the following:

20 **FISCAL NOTE**

22 The Department of Human Services will incur additional costs
24 to provide staffing assistance and to print the report of the
Task Force to Study Strategies to Support Parents as Children's
26 First Teachers. These costs can be absorbed within the
department's existing budgeted resources.

28 The additional costs associated with participating as
30 members of the task force can be absorbed by the Department of
Education, the Department of Human Services and the Department of
32 Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services
utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

34 **SUMMARY**

36 This amendment adds to the task force 2 members representing
38 the Child Development Services System and the Maine Parent
Federation and replaces 3 parents with 3 members at large to be
40 appointed by the Governor. This amendment also directs the
Department of Human Services to provide staffing and clerical
42 assistance to the task force and authorizes the Commissioner of
Human Services to utilize existing department resources to review
44 and report on the duties of the task force. This amendment also
adds a fiscal note to the resolve.