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House of Representatives, December 5, 1997

An Act to Provide for the Termination of Spousal Support upon the Death of the Payor.

Reported by Representative THOMPSON for the Family Law Advisory Commission pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 354, subsection 2.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 3, 1997. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

GOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

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

Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §951, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 9, §2 and affected by §3, is amended to read:

6 7. Cessation upon death of payee or payor. Unless otherwise stated in the court order awarding spousal support, the obligation to make any payment pursuant to this section ceases upon the death of <u>either</u> the payee <u>or the payor</u> with respect to any payment not yet due and owing as of the date of the-payee's death.

SUMMARY

16 This bill provides that spousal support terminates upon the death of the spouse ordered to pay that support, unless the order 18 expressly states that the support obligation continues even after the payor spouse dies.

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