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House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

An Act to Prohibit the Employment of Minors in Places Providing Nude Entertainment.

Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 204. Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JOY of Crystal, STANLEY of Medway, TREADWELL of Carmel.

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

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Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §772, as amended by PL 1997, c. 597, §1, is further amended to read:

§772. Minors under 18

A minor under 18 years of age may not be employed in any capacity that the director determines to be hazardous, dangerous to life or limbs, injurious to morals or when the minor's health would be injured. The director shall adopt rules to develop and maintain a list of occupations not suitable for employment of a minor. The rules must conform as far as practicable to the child labor provisions of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, United States Code, Section 212 and any associated regulations. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter The rules must contain a provision prohibiting the employment of minors in places having nude entertainment. This section does not apply to minors in public and approved private schools where mechanical equipment is installed and operated primarily for purposes of instruction.

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SUMMARY

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The Director of the Bureau of Labor Standards is required to establish by rule a list of hazardous occupations. Minors under 18 years of age are prohibited from working in those occupations. This bill will require that employment in places having nude entertainment be included in that list.

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