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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1699, L.D. 2405, Bill, "An Act to Increase the Number of Domestic Violence Prosecutors"

Amend the bill by inserting before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §204-A is enacted to read:

§204-A. Annual report

The Attorney General, working with the district attorneys of the State, shall submit a report that compiles data from domestic violence prosecutors statewide to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary matters on an annual basis. The first report must be submitted no later than October 1, 2001.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of the 9th line (page 1, line 15 in L.D.)

Further amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 23 and 24 in L.D.)

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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

6 **FISCAL NOTE**

8 **2000-01**

10 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

12 General Fund \$424,545

14 This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$424,545  
16 in fiscal year 2000-01 for the Department of the Attorney General  
to establish 9 domestic violence Assistant District Attorney  
18 positions.

20 The Governor's proposed supplemental budget for 2000-2001,  
LD 2510, as modified by changes submitted February 29, 2000,  
22 includes an adjustment to increase General Fund appropriations by  
\$159,777 to provide a net increase of 3 domestic violence  
24 Assistant District Attorney positions.

26 The additional costs associated with the annual report can  
be absorbed by the Department of the Attorney General utilizing  
existing budgeted resources.'

30 **SUMMARY**

32 This amendment reduces the General Fund appropriation from  
\$470,046 to \$424,545 in fiscal year 2000-01, adds a report  
34 requirement for domestic violence prosecutors and adds a fiscal  
note to the bill.