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House of Representatives, February 11, 2003

An Act To Increase the Collection of Child Support

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn.
Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and
Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, DUDLEY of Portland, GERZOFKY of Brunswick,
WALCOTT of Lewiston, Senator: STRIMLING of Cumberland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §2154, sub-§4-A** is enacted to read:

6 4-A. Independent contractors. The State, when acting in
8 the capacity of an employer, and employers who contract with the
10 State shall report to the department the hiring of an independent
12 contractor to perform work under the contract or for the State in
14 the same manner as the hiring of an employee is reported under
16 subsection 4.

12 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill requires the reporting of the hiring of
16 independent contractors to the Department of Human Services in
18 order to locate people who should be paying child support and to
20 verify their ability to pay. Those required to report are the
22 State and any employer who contracts with the State. All
24 employers are currently required to report their new employees;
this bill extends the reporting to some independent contractors
whose hiring would otherwise not be reported to the Department of
Human Services.