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S.P. 357

In Senate, March 4, 2003

An Act To Provide Security Deposit Assistance to Renters Receiving Federal Rent Assistance

Reference to the Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development suggested
and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative: SUSLOVIC of Portland.

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

4 Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA c. 201, sub-c. 14 is enacted to read:

6 **SUBCHAPTER 14**

8 **RENT ASSISTANCE**

10 **§4994-A. Security deposit assistance**

12 The Maine State Housing Authority shall pay the security
14 deposit for a person who qualifies and receives rent assistance
16 from the Federal Government. The security deposit must be paid
18 directly to the landlord. The authority shall adopt rules to
20 carry out the provisions of this section. Rules adopted pursuant
22 to this section are major substantive rules as defined in Title
24 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill requires the Maine State Housing Authority to pay
24 the security deposit for a person who qualifies and receives rent
assistance from the Federal Government. This bill requires that
the security deposit be paid directly to the landlord.