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L.D. 1510

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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
121ST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1103, L.D. 1510, Bill, "An Act To Improve Access to the Victims' Compensation Fund"

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 5 in the 3rd line (page 2, line 1 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "victim; a person who bears a" and inserting in its place the following: 'victim; or a person who bears an equally'

Further amend the bill in section 5 by striking out all of the blocked paragraph (page 2, lines 19 to 26 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Upon request of the board pursuant to the claimant's application for compensation, health care providers and health plans, insurers or other persons who pay or discharge the costs of health care must submit directly to the board any information that is required to support a claimant's application or that is necessary to process a claim for payment.'

Further amend the bill in section 6 in that part designated "§1330-B." in the first paragraph in the 4th line (page 2, line 35 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "by the agency specified in section 1326-A"

**SUMMARY**

This amendment clarifies the definition of "family or

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household member" in section 3 of the bill. This amendment clarifies the process by which providers and others who pay the costs of health care must submit to the board any information that is required to support a claimant's application or that is necessary to process a claim for payment. This amendment also clarifies that restitution collected for the benefit of victims includes restitution collected at a county jail or prison.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

**121st Maine Legislature  
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**



**LD 1510**

**An Act To Improve Access to the Victims' Compensation Fund**

**LR 1839(02)**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

Current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This bill makes certain changes to provisions of the Victims Compensation Fund. These changes are expected to increase the amount of payments from the fund by approximately \$30,000 annually. The program has sufficient allocation and cash to cover the anticipated expenses.