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6	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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20	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{A}$ " to S.P. 551, L.D. 1597, Bill, "An Act To Implement Federal Requirements in Child Protection Matters"
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22	Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§4036-B." in subsection 3 in the 3rd and 4th lines (page 1,
24	lines 17 and 18 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
	"immediate risk of serious harm" and inserting in its place the
26	following: 'the presence of an aggravating factor'
28	Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated
	"§4036-B." in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the last 2 lines
30	(page 1, lines 27 and 28 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
32	"immediate risk of serious harm" and inserting in its place the following: 'aggravating factor'
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34	Further amend the bill in section 6 in subsection 5 in the
	first paragraph in the next to the last line (page 2, line 34 in
36	L.D.) by inserting after the following: "After hearing" the
38	following: 'or by agreement'
50	Further amend the bill in section 7 in subsection 2-A in
40	paragraph A in the blocked paragraph in the 4th line (page 3, line 43 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "department" and

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following:

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Further amend the bill by inserting after section 7 the

inserting in its place the following: 'court'

## COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 551, L.D. 1597

'Sec. 8. Statement of intent regarding youth services. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Human Services and the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services provide services to eligible children and their families in home and community settings whenever possible, minimizing the need for intervention by the State and eliminating the need for parents to give up custody in order to qualify their children for services. As appropriate to the child and family and within existing resources, services must include assessment, health care and case management.'

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#### **SUMMARY**

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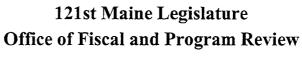
This amendment corrects 2 errors in the bill regarding aggravating factors. It provides for written findings when an order is entered by agreement of the parties. It corrects an error regarding a court determination of the safe return of a It adds a statement of intent regarding youth services and the intention of the Legislature that children and their families be served in their homes and communities.

> FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

> > Page 2-LR1945(2)

# COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Approved: 05/20/03





An Act To Implement Federal Requirements in Child Protection Matters



Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A' 3-22 Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional cost to the Department of Human Services can be absorbed utilizing existing resources.