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House of Representatives, March 1, 2005

An Act Regarding the Reporting of Abuse and Neglect

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative GROSE of Woolwich.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ASH of Belfast, BRYANT of Windham, CAMPBELL of
Newfield, CRAVEN of Lewiston, JENNINGS of Leeds, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, MILLER of
Somerville, TWOMEY of Biddeford.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4011-A, sub-1, ¶A**, as repealed and replaced
by PL 2003, c. 599, §8 and affected by §§9 and 14, is amended to
read:

6 A. When acting in a professional capacity:

8 (1) An allopathic or osteopathic physician, resident or
10 intern;

12 (2) An emergency medical services person;

14 (3) A medical examiner;

16 (4) A physician's assistant;

18 (5) A dentist;

20 (6) A dental hygienist;

22 (7) A dental assistant;

24 (8) A chiropractor;

26 (9) A podiatrist;

28 (10) A registered or licensed practical nurse;

30 (11) A teacher;

32 (12) A guidance counselor;

34 (13) A school official;

36 (14) A children's summer camp administrator or
38 counselor;

40 (15) A social worker;

42 (16) A court-appointed special advocate or guardian ad
litem for the child;

44 (17) A homemaker;

46 (18) A home health aide;

48 (19) A medical or social service worker;

50 (20) A psychologist;

- 2 (21) Child care personnel;
- 4 (22) A mental health professional;
- 6 (23) A law enforcement official;
- 8 (24) A state or municipal fire inspector;
- 10 (25) A municipal code enforcement official;
- 12 (26) A commercial film and photographic print
processor;
- 14 (27) A clergy member acquiring the information as a
16 result of clerical professional work except for
information received during confidential communications;
- 18 (28) A chair of a professional licensing board that
20 has jurisdiction over mandated reporters; and
- 22 (29) A humane agent employed by the Department of
Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources;
- 24 (30) A staff person working at a domestic violence
26 shelter; and
- 28 (31) A professional working in the field of domestic
30 violence;

32 SUMMARY

34 This bill adds to the list of people required to report
36 suspected child abuse a staff person working at a domestic
violence shelter and a professional in the field of domestic
38 violence.