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## 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 660

In Senate, December 30, 2005

An Act To Allow the Department of Health and Human Services To Locate Parents Who Are Delinquent in Child Support Payments through Information Related to Cellular Telephones

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 28, 2005. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

2	Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
4	Whereas, the Department of Health and Human Services is
6	finding it more difficult to locate parents delinquent in child support; and
8	Whereas, the sooner the Department of Health and Human
10 12	Services has the authority to obtain information from wireless service providers, the sooner the department will be able to locate delinquent parents; and
12	Totace definquent parents; and
14 16	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
10	necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
18	safety; now, therefore,
20	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
22	Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §2158 is enacted to read:
24	§2158. Information from wireless service provider
26	1. Provide information. A wireless service provider shall provide at the department's request information to the department
28	on an owner of a cellular telephone who is a delinquent child
30	support obligor after the department has exhausted all other avenues in attempting to locate the person.
32	2. Rules. The department shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are major
34	substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.
36	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the
38	preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
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	This bill requires a wireless service provider to provide at
44	the department's request information to the Department of Health and Human Services on an owner of a cellular telephone who is a
4.6	delinquent child support obligor after the department has exhausted all other avenues in attempting to locate the person.