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In Senate, January 4, 2006

An Act To Include Oral Health Assessment with Other Preschool Testing for Maine's Children

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

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SULLIVAN of York.

Cosponsored by Representative DUDLEY of Portland, Representative SMITH of Monmouth and

Senator: HOBBINS of York, Representatives: BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, BEAUDETTE of Biddeford, CAMPBELL of Newfield, MARRACHÉ of Waterville, PERRY of Calais.

| | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: |
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| 2 | Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6451, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. |
| 4 | 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read: |
| 6 | 1. Student right to screening for sight, hearing, oral |
| • | health defects. Each student shall must be screened periodically |
| 8 | to determine whether they-have the student has sight or hearing defects and must be provided an oral health assessment. |
| 10 | Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §6451, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1981, c. |
| 12 | 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read: |
| 14 | 3. Exempt students. A student whose parent objects in writing to screening of <u>on</u> religious grounds shall <u>may</u> not be |
| 16 | screened unless a sight er, hearing or oral health defect is reasonably apparent. |
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| 20 | SUMMARY |
| 22 | This bill expands the health screenings provided to students to include oral health assessments. |

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