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An Act To Establish a Statewide Residency Requirement for General Assistance

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BROWNE of Vassalboro.
Cosponsored by Representative SIROIS of Turner, Senator COURTNEY of York and
Representatives: BLANCHARD of Old Town, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, JACOBSEN
of Waterboro, MAREAN of Hollis, MAZUREK of Rockland, MILLETT of Waterford,
SYKES of Harrison, THOMAS of Ripley.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§2, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §15,
3 is amended to read:

4 A. A resident of the municipality. For the purposes of this section, a "resident"
5 means a person who is has been physically present for 30 days or longer in a
6 municipality with the intention of remaining in that municipality to maintain or
7 establish a home and who has no other residence; and

8 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§2, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §15,
9 is amended to read:

10 B. Eligible persons who apply to the municipality for assistance and who are not
11 residents of that or any other municipality, but only after remaining in that
12 municipality for 30 days or longer. If a person is not a resident of any municipality,
13 the municipality where that person first applies shall be responsible for support until a
14 new residence is established.

15 **Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§3,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c. 349,
16 Pt. H, §15, is repealed.

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SUMMARY

18 This bill establishes a 30-day residency requirement for general assistance benefits.