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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
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123RD LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1051, L.D. 1501, Bill, "An Act To Set Standards for Interviewing Children Who Are Subjects of a Child Protective Intervention"

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph C by inserting after subparagraph (1) the following:

'(2) The department caseworker shall discuss the circumstances of the interview and any relevant information regarding the alleged abuse or neglect with the child's teacher or guidance counselor or the school's nurse, social worker or principal, as the caseworker determines is necessary for the provision of any needed emotional support to the child prior to and following the interview.'

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph C in subparagraph (2) in division (c) (page 1, line 19 in L.D) by inserting after the following: "parent" the following: 'or guardian'

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph C by renumbering the subparagraphs to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

The amendment requires a department caseworker to discuss a child's circumstances with school officials as necessary for the provision of emotional support to the child prior to and following a child protective intervention interview. It also adds the word "guardian" to the provision of the bill that prohibits school officials from requiring notice or consent from a parent.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 1501

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An Act To Set Standards for Interviewing Children Who Are Subjects of a Child Protective Intervention

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"
Committee: Health and Human Services
Fiscal Note Required: No

Fiscal Note

No fiscal impact