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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 543, L.D. 1459, Bill, "An Act To Modify Child Support Enforcement Procedures and Requirements"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1.

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 13 and inserting the following:

Sec. 13. 19-A MRSA §2006, sub-§5, ¶B, as amended by PL 2001, c. 264, §4, is further amended to read:

B. When the parties' combined annual gross income exceeds ~~\$240,000~~ \$400,000, the child support table is not applicable, except that the basic weekly child support entitlement of a child is presumed to be not less than that set forth in the table for a combined annual gross income of ~~\$240,000~~ \$400,000.'

Amend the bill in section 14 in paragraph C in the 8th line (page 3, line 37 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~for obligors earning less than \$12,600 per year within each age category~~" and inserting the following: 'for obligors earning ~~less than \$12,600~~ \$22,800 or less per year'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 24.

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 26.

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 29 and inserting the following:

Sec. 29. 19-A MRSA §2253, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. B, §2 and affected by Pt. E, §2, is repealed.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 31.

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 38.

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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This amendment deletes sections from the bill that authorize the court to issue summary process for contempt based on failure to comply with an administrative child support order and that create joint and several liability of a responsible person for failure to timely send to the Department of Health and Human Services support payments that have been withheld pursuant to a withholding order.

This amendment extends the application of the child support table to \$400,000, the actual top income amount on the child support table, rather than referring to the highest income amount in the table.

This amendment extends the application of the self-support reserve in the child support table to incomes up to \$22,800.

This amendment deletes the repeal of reporting requirements concerning administrative license revocation.

This amendment corrects the bill to appropriately repeal only the subsection referring to personal service of notices of child support and liens in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19-A, section 2253. The bill inaccurately repeals the entire section.