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L.D. 296  
(Filing No. H-528)

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 240, L.D. 296, Bill, "An Act To Find Cost Savings and Efficiencies in the Fingerprinting System for Criminal History Background Checks"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, Directing the State Bureau of Identification To Continue To Explore Contracting Options and Other Methods To Find Efficiencies in the Fingerprinting System for Criminal History Background Checks'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. Research technology and contracting options. Resolved:** That the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification shall continue to research technology and contracting options and potential vendors for providing better accuracy and efficiency in fingerprinting for criminal history background checks. The bureau shall solicit comments and recommendations from the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Education for ways to improve the fingerprinting process for their clients; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report and recommendations. Resolved:** That, by January 15, 2012, the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification shall report its findings and recommendations for implementation of improvements to the fingerprinting process to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, which may introduce legislation to implement the bureau's recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. The amendment directs the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification to solicit recommendations from the Department of Education and the Department of Health and Human Services

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1 regarding ways to improve the fingerprinting process for their clients. The resolve also  
2 directs the bureau to continue to research technology and contracting options and  
3 potential vendors for providing better accuracy and efficiency in fingerprinting for  
4 criminal history background checks. The Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice  
5 and Public Safety may introduce legislation to implement the bureau's recommendations  
6 to the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See Attached)



Approved: 06/03/11 *MAC*

# 125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Find Cost Savings and Efficiencies in the Fingerprinting System for Criminal History Background Checks

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"  
Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety  
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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### Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Education, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Public Safety can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.