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L.D. 1842

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Minority

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
126TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1324, L.D. 1842, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 6.

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 9.

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 12 to 14 and inserting in their place the following:

Sec. 12. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§§1 and 2, as amended by PL 1993, c. 385, §18, are repealed.

Sec. 13. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 856, §7, is repealed.

Sec. 14. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§§4 and 5, as amended by PL 1993, c. 385, §18, are repealed.

Sec. 15. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§6, as amended by PL 1997, c. 530, Pt. A, §21, is repealed.

Sec. 16. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§7, as amended by PL 1993, c. 385, §18, is repealed.

Sec. 17. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§8, as amended by PL 1997, c. 530, Pt. A, §22, is repealed.

Sec. 18. 22 MRSA §3785, sub-§12, as amended by PL 1997, c. 530, Pt. A, §23, is repealed.

Sec. 19. 22 MRSA §3785-A, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 335, §1, is amended to read:

B. Provide the individual with a notice that states the basis for the sanction and a complete list of the good cause reasons reason as set forth in section 3785;

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 16 and 17.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Amend the bill in section 21 by striking out all of paragraph D (page 5, lines 35 to 39 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'D. If a claim of disability or other good cause is made by a participant, the department shall assess the circumstances of the claim. If disability or other good cause is found to exist, the department shall offer reasonable alternative participation requirements to the extent required by federal law and document them in the participant's family contract and case record.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, retains the provision of current law that prohibits a person from being sanctioned under the Additional Support for People in Retraining and Employment-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program if the person is a victim of domestic violence.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



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An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-790)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Federal Block Grant Funds

Potential current biennium savings - Federal Block Grant Funds

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services to implement the provisions of this bill are assumed to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. The costs and the savings to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program cannot be determined at this time but would affect the program's Federal Block Grant Fund account only. This also assumes the reduction in General Fund spending from elimination of the Parents as Scholars (PaS) program would be expended on other benefits under the Additional Support for People in Retraining and Employment (ASPIRE) program.