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H.P. 155

House of Representatives, January 17, 2019

An Act To Require an Annual Report on the Activities of the Maine Child Welfare Advisory Panel

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative HYMANSON of York.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, HEAD of Bethel, JAVNER of
Chester, McCREIGHT of Harpswell.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4010-D** is enacted to read:

3 **§4010-D. Child welfare advisory panel; annual report**

4 By January 1, 2020 and annually thereafter, the department shall submit a report to
5 the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human
6 services matters on the activities of and reports produced by the child welfare advisory
7 panel formed pursuant to the federal Children's Justice Act, 42 United States Code,
8 Section 5106a to make policy and training recommendations for system improvements in
9 the investigative, administrative and judicial handling of child abuse, neglect and
10 exploitation cases and child maltreatment-related fatalities.

11 **SUMMARY**

12 This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to submit an annual
13 report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health
14 and human services matters on the activities of and reports produced by the child welfare
15 advisory panel formed pursuant to the federal Children's Justice Act.