

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
130TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 648,  
L.D. 1831, "An Act To Improve the Child and Family Court Process"

Amend the amendment by striking out the first 5 paragraphs after the title (page 1, lines 11 to 20 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of section 6 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 6. 4 MRSA §183, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 2015, c. 296, Pt. C, §1 and affected by Pt. D, §1, is further amended by amending subparagraph (2) to read:

(2) Interim orders in actions involving divorce, legal separation, parentage or parental rights, including interim orders in postjudgment proceedings arising out of these actions, ~~except that a contested motion concerning interim parental rights and responsibilities, excluding interim child support orders, may be determined by the family law magistrate only if both parties consent to determination of the issue or issues in dispute by the family law magistrate;~~

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 7.'

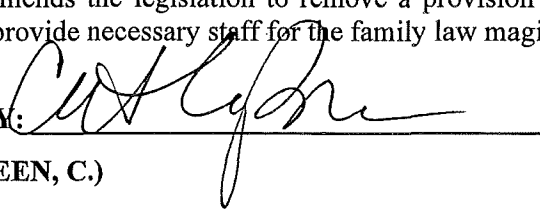
Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 9.

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

SUMMARY

This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to remove provisions directing the Chief Judge of the District Court to employ 12 family law magistrates and providing funding. It also amends the legislation to remove a provision directing the State Court Administrator to provide necessary staff for the family law magistrates.

SPONSORED BY:



(Senator BREEN, C.)

COUNTY: Cumberland

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See attached)

**SENATE AMENDMENT**



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1831

LR 2285(04)

## An Act To Improve the Child and Family Court Process

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" (S-629)  
 Sponsor: Sen. Breen of Cumberland  
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$0	(\$1,505,856)	(\$1,518,271)	(\$1,564,953)
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$0	(\$1,505,856)	(\$1,518,271)	(\$1,564,953)

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment removes the bill's 4 Family Law Magistrate positions, 4 Deputy Marshal positions, 4 Assistant Clerk positions, one Law Clerk position and related funding. The General Fund appropriations are removed.