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131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 595

House of Representatives, March 2, 2023

**An Act to Create a Liaison Position Between the Department of
Education and the Department of Health and Human Services on
Early Childhood Education Matters**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield.
Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CYRWAY of Albion, DUCHARME of Madison,
Senator: CURRY of Waldo.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §264** is enacted to read:

3 **§264. Early childhood education liaison**

4 The commissioner shall employ an early childhood education specialist to act as a
5 liaison between the department and the Department of Health and Human Services on
6 matters concerning early childhood education for children from birth to grade 5.

7 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill creates the position of early childhood education specialist within the
9 Department of Education to act as a liaison between that department and the Department
10 of Health and Human Services on matters concerning early childhood education for
11 children from birth to grade 5.