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## 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 28, 2024

Resolve, Directing the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council to Add a 3rd Option for Gender on State Forms

Reported by Representative MOONEN of Portland for the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 76, section 2.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Sec. 1. Department of Administrative and Financial Services, State Court Administrator and Executive Director of Legislative Council to amend printed forms. Resolved: That, within existing resources, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, in coordination with all executive branch departments, agencies, offices, boards and commissions and all quasi-independent agencies, boards, commissions, authorities and institutions in the State, and the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall, by December 31, 2024, add an option to designate "X" for gender on all printed forms, applications and other documents used by these entities that require a person to designate that person's gender. When reviewing the printed forms, the departments, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall determine whether the designation of a person's gender is necessary for the purposes of each form, and, if it is not, the departments, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall remove the question from the form.

Sec. 2. Department of Administrative and Financial Services, State Court Administrator and Executive Director of Legislative Council to amend digital forms. Resolved: That, within existing resources, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, in coordination with all executive branch departments, agencies, offices, boards and commissions and all quasi-independent agencies, boards, commissions, authorities and institutions in the State, and the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall add an option to designate "X" for gender on all digital forms, applications and other documents used by these entities that require a person to designate that person's gender. When reviewing the digital forms, the departments, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall determine whether the designation of a person's gender is necessary for the purposes of each form, and, if it is not, the departments, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall remove the question from the form. The departments, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall make these updates in the regular course of updating their forms.

30 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council to update by December 31, 2024 all printed forms, applications and other documents that require the designation of a person's gender to add an option to designate "X" for gender. The resolve also directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council to update all digital forms, applications and other documents that require the designation of a person's gender to add an option to designate "X" for gender in the regular course of updating their forms. Finally, the resolve directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, the State Court Administrator and the Executive Director of the Legislative Council, in the course of updating all forms, to determine whether the designation of a person's gender is necessary for the purposes of each form, and, if it is not, to remove the question from the form.