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LD 480 / HP0397 (ND 1657 / HP1243)

An Act to Make Joint Custody the First Order of Preference in Child Custody Cases. Presented by Rep. Hobbins of Saco; Co-sponsored by Rep. Higgins of Scarborough, Rep. Soule of Westport, Sen. Gill of Cumberland. Judiciary Hearing 3-21-83. OTP-ND Accepted. NEW DRAFT: HP1243 / LD 1657, NEW TITLE (Original Title of New Draft): An Act to Provide that Joint Custody be Awarded When the Parents Agree to it in Child Custody Cases. New Title: An Act Relating to Joint Custody. Amended by: SA (Changed Title) S-163. Emerg. Enacted, Approved 7-1-83, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 564.

Original Bill

[LD 480 \(111th Legis. 1983\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Bill

[LD 1657 / PL 1983, c. 564](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

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New Drafts and Amendments

[LD 1657 / HP1243 \(New draft \(New Title\) of LD 480 / HP0397\)](#)

[Amendment SA \(S-163\) \(LD 1657 1983\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

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[SENATE, February 3, 1983 \(p113-117\)](#)

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Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 1983, c. 564](#)

Reports and Other Related Documents

[Report of the Commission to study the matter of child custody in domestic relations cases
\(February 1984\)](#)

News Articles

Joint custody bill questioned (Associated Press) (Portland Press Herald, 3/22/1983) •
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