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**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1923 / SP0758

An Act To Improve the Child Welfare System. Presented by Senator HAMPER of Oxford. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. Public Hearing 08/27/18. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 08/30/18. Amended by: CA S-548, HA/CA H-811. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Signed 09/07/18, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 471.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1923 \(128th Legis. 2018\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law**

[LD 1923 / PL 2017, c. 471](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf128-LD-1923.pdf)

**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment HA/CA \(H-811\) \(LD 1923 2018\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment CA \(S-548\) \(LD 1923 2018\) \(Majority\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment CB \(S-549\) \(LD 1923 2018\) \(Minority\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

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- p. H-1851

[HOUSE, August 30, 2018 \(H1838-1863\)](#)

- p. H-1857 (Remarks (in passing))

[HOUSE, August 30, 2018 \(H1838-1863\)](#)

- p. H-1860 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) S-548, S-549, H-811)

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- p. H-1862 (Amendment(s) S-548, H-811)

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- p. S-2170

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- p. S-2194 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p2196)) (Amendment(s) S-548, S-549)

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- p. S-2202 (Amendment(s) S-548, S-549, H-811)

[SENATE, August 30, 2018 \(S2169-2205\)](#)

- p. S-2204 (Amendment(s) S-548, H-811)

#### **Enacted Law or Resolve**

[PL 2017, c. 471](#)

#### **News Articles**

LePage submits bills to overhaul Maine's troubled system for protecting (Eric Russell) (Portland Press Herald, 8/23/2018, p. A1, A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD19xx/nc128-LD-1923/PPH 180823B.pdf)

As critics question LePage's plan to overhaul child protection system, its cost is pegged at \$21 million (Eric Russell) (Portland Press Herald, 8/24/2018, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD19xx/nc128-LD-1923/PPH 180824C.pdf)

Some of LePage's child welfare fixes are appropriate, others go too far (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 8/25/2018, p. D2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD19xx/nc128-LD-1923/BDN 180825-26C.pdf)

LePage's proposed reforms to child protection system get mixed reaction at hearing (Eric Russell) (Portland Press Herald, 8/28/2018, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD19xx/nc128-LD-1923/PPH 180828B.pdf)

Lawmakers back several LePage bills to fix flaws in child protection system, but not others (Scott Thistle) (Portland Press Herald, 8/29/2018, p. B1, B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD19xx/nc128-LD-1923/PPH 180829D.pdf)

Child welfare bills could have unintended impact, some warn (Marina Villeneuve) (Bangor Daily News, 8/30/2018, p. B1, B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD19xx/nc128-LD-1923/BDN 180830F.pdf)

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