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## **An Act To Allow the District Court To Adjudicate Parentage in Child Protective Custody Cases**

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4005-F** is enacted to read:

### **§ 4005-F. Determinations of parentage**

As part of a child protection proceeding, the District Court may determine parentage of the child. Title 19-A, sections 1558 to 1564 apply to determinations of parentage in a child protection proceeding.

This section may not be construed to limit the right of a person to file an action pursuant to Title 19-A, chapter 53, subchapter 1 to enforce a father's obligations pursuant to that subchapter.

Effective September 20, 2007