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### **An Act to Require Family Life Education to Include a Human Growth and Development Curriculum**

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

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DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: GRIFFIN of Levant, JAVNER of Chester, LEMELIN of Chelsea, TUELL of East Machias.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1912** is enacted to read:

3 **§1912. Human growth and development curriculum**

4 **1. Definition.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, "human  
5 growth and development discussion" means an oral, written or digital lesson, lecture or  
6 presentation about human biology related to pregnancy and human development inside the  
7 uterus.

8 **2. Human growth and development discussion.** A school offering comprehensive  
9 family life education pursuant to section 1910 shall incorporate a human growth and  
10 development discussion into its curriculum. The human growth and development  
11 discussion must be offered to students beginning no later than grade 3.

12 **3. Videos.** A human growth and development discussion must include:

13 A. A high-definition ultrasound video, at least 3 minutes in duration, showing the fetal  
14 development of the brain, heart, sex organs and other vital organs in early fetal  
15 development; and

16 B. A video showing the process of fertilization and every stage of fetal development  
17 inside the uterus and noting significant markers in cell growth and organ development  
18 of a fetus from conception to birth.

19 **4. Cause of action; civil suit.** The Attorney General has a cause of action to sue for  
20 damages and injunctive relief and may bring a civil suit to enforce this section on behalf of  
21 a resident of the State against a person that violates this section.

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This bill requires schools offering comprehensive family life education to include a  
24 human growth and development discussion that includes an ultrasound video and a video  
25 showing the process of fertilization and every stage of fetal development inside the uterus.  
26 The Attorney General is authorized to bring a civil suit to enforce the provision.