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An Act To Create Efficiencies in Cases Concerning Court-ordered Child Contact and Care by Providing for Parent Education

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

Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §1653, sub-§7, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. B, §2 and affected by Pt. E, §2, is amended to read:

A. Require additional or more specific terms and conditions, including but not limited to participation in parent education, consistent with the order;

SUMMARY

This bill addresses the issue of parents who do not comply with court orders concerning residential care of or contact with a child. If a parent fails to allow a child to spend time with the other parent as required in the court order or fails to return the child as required in the court order, the court may, in addition to imposing other sanctions or remedies, order the parent in violation of the court order to participate in parent education.