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S.P. 271

In Senate, February 21, 2019

### An Act To Improve the Child Protective Court System

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Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Representative HARNETT of Gardiner and  
Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, DIAMOND of Cumberland, KEIM of Oxford.

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

2 **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5 This bill would establish a process within the court system to ensure, to the greatest  
6 extent possible, that child protective cases involving the same child are assigned to and  
7 heard by the same judge throughout the entire process while the child is a minor.