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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 649, L.D. 1013, “An Act to Provide Training, Professional Development and Wellness Supports for Child Protective Services Workers”

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4004, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Caseworker training and case loads. The department shall implement a training protocol for all caseworkers that includes smaller case loads and additional supervision during the first year of employment by the department and ongoing professional development opportunities for all caseworkers and supervisors of caseworkers.'

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 4 in the last line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "investigations;" the following: 'and'

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 5 in the last line (page 1, line 26 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "; and" and inserting the following: '.'

Amend the bill in section 2 by striking out all of subsection 6 (page 1, lines 27 and 28 in L.D.).

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, removes the requirement from the bill to offer flexible work schedules to child protective services caseworkers.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT