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9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "" to S.P. 363, L.D. 1037, Bill, "An Act To Establish a 180-day Residency Requirement for Welfare Benefits"
11 12 13	Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8-A in the first line (page 1, line 3 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "assistance" the following: 'through a state-funded program'
14	Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8-A by adding at the end the following:
15	'This subsection does not apply to a victim of domestic violence.'
16	Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 to 4 and inserting the following:
17	'Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3273, sub-§11 is enacted to read:
18 19 20 21 22	11. Residency requirement for state-funded supplemental security income. An applicant for assistance through a state-funded supplemental income benefit must prove to the department that the applicant has been physically present for 180 days or longer in the State prior to applying for the state-funded supplemental income benefit. Acceptable proof or residency includes, but is not limited to:
23	A. A tax return, W-2 form or paycheck stub;
24	B. A utility bill or a letter from a utility company showing application for service;
25	C. A contract to which the applicant is a party; or
26	D. A document issued by a governmental entity.
27	This subsection does not apply to a victim of domestic violence.'
28 29	Amend the bill in section 5 in subsection 11 in the first line (page 2, line 7 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "assistance" the following: 'through a state-funded program'
30	Amend the bill in section 5 in subsection 11 by adding at the end the following:
31	'This subsection does not apply to a victim of domestic violence.'
32	Amend the bill by striking out all of section 6 and inserting the following:

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'Sec. 6. 22 MRSA §4307, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §15, is amended to read:

A. A resident of the municipality. For the purposes of this section, a "resident" means a person who is <u>has been</u> physically present <u>for 180 days or longer</u> in a municipality with the intention of remaining in that municipality to maintain or establish a home and who has no other residence; and <u>or a person who is a victim of</u> <u>domestic violence.</u>'

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

10 SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment establishes a 180-day residency requirement for state-funded Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and supplemental security income and the general assistance program. It does not apply to benefits that include federal funding. A victim of domestic violence is not subject to the 180-day residency requirement.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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