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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 657, L.D. 1770, Bill, “An Act To Revise Laws Regarding Unemployment That Were Amended or Affected by Recently Enacted Legislation”

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

**'Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1194, sub-§1-B** is enacted to read:

**1-B. Alternative filing.** The department shall provide an alternative to an Internet-based system for filing claims for benefits, including filing of work search documentation, and for obtaining information. The alternative under this subsection must include a method such as filing or obtaining information by a telephone system or in person.'

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, adds to the bill a requirement that the Department of Labor provide an alternative method to an Internet-based system for filing of unemployment claims and work search documentation and obtaining information. The alternative must include a method such as a telephone system or in person.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**