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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1039, L.D. 1614, “An Act to Require an Ultrasound and Certain Counseling Before an Abortion”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Expand Access to Certain Ultrasound and Counseling Services Before an Abortion'

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 5 in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 16 and 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and the performance of the obstetric ultrasound as required under section 1599-B"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 4. 22 MRSA §1599-A, sub-§2, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 61, §4, is amended to read:

D. ~~At the woman's request, alternatives~~ Alternatives to abortion such as childbirth and parenting and adoption and information concerning public and private agencies that will provide the woman with economic and other assistance to carry the fetus to term, including, if the woman so requests, a list of these agencies and the services available from each.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 5 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 5. 22 MRSA §1599-B is enacted to read:

§1599-B. Ultrasound access before abortion

1. Ultrasound available. Prior to a pregnant woman's giving informed consent under section 1599-A to having an abortion performed, a health care professional who is to perform the abortion or a qualified ultrasound provider to whom the responsibility has been delegated by the health care professional shall inform the pregnant woman that an obstetric ultrasound is available. If the pregnant woman elects to have an ultrasound, the health care professional or qualified ultrasound provider shall:

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