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In Senate, March 24, 2015

An Act To Create a 9-month Time Limit on General Assistance Benefits

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

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Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Senators: BURNS of Washington, DAVIS of Piscataquis, MASON of Androscoggin, Representatives: HEAD of Bethel, PETERSON of Rumford, SANDERSON of Chelsea, VACHON of Scarborough.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4309, sub-§5 is enacted to read:
3 4 5 6	5. Durational limit on benefits. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, an eligible person who is capable of working and who does not have any dependents may not receive general assistance benefits for more than 275 days every 5 years.
7	SUMMARY
8 9 10	This bill limits to a maximum of 275 days every 5 years the general assistance benefits a person who does not have any dependents and who is capable of working may receive.