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Amend the bill in section 6 in §3873 by striking out all of subsection 3 (page 2, lines 30 to 38 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

**‘3. Consultation with Maine Child Abuse Prevention Councils.**~~The Maine Association of Child Abuse and Neglect Councils shall advise the department regarding the distribution of grants before any grants are awarded. The Maine Association of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Councils, in conjunction with the department, shall develop a plan, updated annually, establishing a statewide strategy for child abuse and neglect prevention in local counties and communities. This plan must be implemented at least one month before January 1, 1994 and updated annually. Grants or allocated funds must be awarded in accordance with the goals and strategies set out in the plan.’~~

### SUMMARY

This amendment removes the requirement for the Maine Child Abuse Prevention Councils to advise the Department of Health and Human Services on the distribution of grants or funds before grants or funds are awarded.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**