JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY BILL SUMMARY

BILL NO. H1720

TITLE: An Act relative to court approved parent education program.

SPONSOR: Rep. Colleen M. Garry

COSPONSOR(S): None

HEARING DATE: June 10, 2025

PRIOR HISTORY: H1511 (2023-2024) H1326 (2015-2016)

H1583 (2021-2022) H1346 (2013-2014) H3287 (2019-2021) H1315 (2011-2012) H2279 (2017-2018) H1390 (2009-2010)

SENATE BILL: None

CURRENT LAW: Chapter 209C establishes the rights and obligations of parents of

children born out of wedlock with Section 2 enumerating the

methods for establishing paternity.

BILL SUMMARY: Section 1 – Adds a new Section 25 to 209C requiring any parent

involved in a paternity suit to complete a Probate and Family Court

approved parent education program.