## IN RE CHILD OF AMANDA S.

## Submitted on Briefs September 22, 2021 Decided September 30, 2021

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., and MEAD, GORMAN, JABAR, HUMPHREY, and CONNORS, JJ.

## MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Amanda S. appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Skowhegan, *Nale, J.*) terminating her parental rights to her child. Contrary to the mother's contentions, the record contains competent evidence to support the court's findings, by clear and convincing evidence, of parental unfitness, that is, that she is unable to protect the child from jeopardy in a time that will reasonably meet the child's needs and is unable to take responsibility for the child in a time that will meet the child's needs. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(b)(i), (ii) (2021); *In re Child of Amber D.*, 2020 ME 30, ¶ 6, 226 A.3d 1157. We also discern no error or abuse of discretion in the court's determination that termination of the mother's parental rights is in the child's best interest. *See* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a); *In re M.B.*, 2013 ME 46, ¶ 37, 65 A.3d 1260.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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