

IN RE CHILDREN OF BILLIE S.

Submitted on Briefs December 30, 2024

Decided January 7, 2025

Panel: STANFILL, C.J., and MEAD, HORTON, CONNORS, and DOUGLAS, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

The mother appeals from a judgment of the District Court (Bangor, *Roberts, J.*) terminating her parental rights to two children. We affirm the judgment because (1) the court did not clearly err in finding, by clear and convincing evidence, that the mother is parentally unfit on at least one statutory ground, *see* 22 M.R.S. § 4055(1)(B)(2)(a), (b) (2024); *In re Children of Jason C.*, 2020 ME 86, ¶ 7, 236 A.3d 438; (2) the court did not clearly err or abuse its discretion in determining that termination of the mother’s parental rights is in the best interests of the children, *see In re Destiny H.*, 2024 ME 66, ¶ 17, 322 A.3d 1183; (3) the mother’s due process rights were not violated and the court did not abuse its discretion when the court denied the mother’s motion to continue the hearing, *see Adoption by Jessica M.*, 2020 ME 118, ¶¶ 8-12, 239 A.3d 633, or when the court granted the Department’s motion to reopen evidence, *see* M.R. Civ P. 43(j); *In re Danielle S.*, 2004 ME 19, ¶ 3, 844 A.2d 1148.

The entry is:

Judgment affirmed.

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