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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT" A"to S.P. 88, L.D. 185, Bill, "AN ACT Requiring the Reporting of Reyes Syndrome by Persons Examining or Treating the Disease."

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'22 MRSA 1030, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 304, §2, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

A physician, intern, physician assistant, public health nurse or any other person who professionally examines or treats a child with Reyes Syndrome shall report that examination or treatment to the department in accordance with rules and regulation established by the department. The report shall be made on forms prescribed by the commissioner and shall be submitted as soon as possible after the examination or treatment. The department shall maintain comprehensive records of all reports submitted under this paragraph.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to include the reporting requirement for Reyes Syndrome among the requirements of the communicable diseases law. The confidentiality and immunity provisions of the law would then apply.

Reported by the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

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