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An Act Concerning the Supervision of Nursing Support Staff

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CONNOR of Kennebunk, GROSE of Woolwich,
PENDLETON of Scarborough.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §2205-B, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

3 **4. Supervision of support staff.** A certified nurse practitioner may delegate to the
4 employees or support staff of the certified nurse practitioner certain activities relating to
5 advanced practice registered nursing carried out by custom and usage when the activities
6 are under the control of the certified nurse practitioner. The certified nurse practitioner
7 delegating these activities to such persons is legally liable for the activities of those
8 persons, and any person in this relationship is considered the certified nurse practitioner's
9 agent when performing such delegated activities.

10 **SUMMARY**

11 This bill allows a certified nurse practitioner to delegate certain activities relating to
12 advanced practice registered nursing to employees or support staff when those activities
13 are carried out by custom and usage and are under the control of the certified nurse
14 practitioner, who is legally liable for their activities.