

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 692

In Senate, January 8, 2020

### **An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Access to Prescription Monitoring Information**

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Submitted by the Department of the Attorney General pursuant to Joint Rule 203.  
Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §7250, sub-§4, ¶K,** as amended by PL 2017, c. 213, §6, is  
3 further amended to read:

4 K. The chief medical officer, medical director or other administrative prescriber  
5 employed by a licensed hospital, insofar as the information relates to prescriptions  
6 written by prescribers employed by that licensed hospital; ~~and~~

7 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §7250, sub-§4, ¶L,** as enacted by PL 2017, c. 213, §7, is  
8 amended to read:

9 L. Staff members of a group practice of prescribers who are authorized by a  
10 designated group practice leader, insofar as the information relates to a patient  
11 receiving care from that group practice;

12 **Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §7250, sub-§4, ¶M** is enacted to read:

13 M. The United States Attorney for the District of Maine in connection with an  
14 authorized criminal investigation pursuant to a valid court order that is based upon a  
15 finding of good cause and that imposes appropriate safeguards against unauthorized  
16 disclosure; and

17 **Sec. 4. 22 MRSA §7250, sub-§4, ¶N** is enacted to read:

18 N. The Attorney General pursuant to Title 5, section 211.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill expands the list of persons that may access prescription monitoring  
21 information to include the United States Attorney for the District of Maine in specified  
22 instances and the Attorney General under the laws governing unfair trade practices.