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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 424, L.D. 529, Bill, "AN ACT to Standardize the Provision of Copies of Medical Records to Patients of Hospitals."

Amend the Bill by striking out in the next to the last line of the first paragraph of that part designated "§1711." the underlined word "attorney" and inserting in its place the underlined words 'authorized representative'

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of the 2nd paragraph of that part designated "§1711." and inserting in its place the following:

'If an authorized representative for a patient requests, in writing that a hospital provide the authorized representative with a copy of the patient's medical records and presents a proper authorization from the patient for the release of the information, copies shall be provided to the authorized representative within a reasonable time.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify categorization of individuals authorized to receive patient medical records under certain authorized circumstances by the patient.

Reported by the Committee on Business Legislation.

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