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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1707, L.D. 1880, Bill,
"AN ACT Relating to the Commitment of Mentally Ill Individuals."

Amend the Bill in section 2 by striking out all of paragraph C of subsection 7 and inserting in its place the following:

'C. A reasonable certainty that severe physical or mental impairment or injury will result to the person alleged to be mentally ill as manifested in the initial application, by recent evidence of his actions or behavior which demonstrate his inability to avoid or protect himself from such impairment or injury, and, after consideration of less restrictive treatment settings and modalities, a determination that suitable community resources for his care are unavailable.'

## Statement of Fact

This amendment ensures that/impairment or injury referred to in Title 34, section 2251, subsection 7, paragraph C may be mental as well as physical and provides that the manifestation by recent evidence of actions or behavior must be manifested in the initial application.

Filed by Mrs. Kany of Waterville.

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