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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 1025, L.D. 1270, Bill, "AN ACT to Authorize the Administration of Medications by

State Corrections Officials in Certain Cases."

Amend the Bill in section 2 in that part designated "§7-A." by striking out all of subsection 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'1. Administration of medication by corrections officials.

The warden or superintendent of any state corrections facility
may administer to any prisoner or juvenile committed to the Maine
Youth Center in his custody or charge, any nonprescription oral
or topical medication in accordance with the directions on its
container. The warden or superintendent may delegate to any
correctional officer employed by the correctional facility the
authority to administer medication.'

Further amend the Bill in section 2 in that part designated "§7-A." by striking out all of subsection 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'4. Records of medication administered. The warden, superintendent or his delegate shall maintain for at least 2 years a record which shall include a description of each prescription and nonprescription medication administered in the facility, the identity of the person to whom the medication was administered, a brief synopsis of the person's responses to the prescription medication and for how long the prescription medication was administered.'

## Statement of Fact

This amendment restricts those medications which can be administered by correctional officers to nonprescription ones only and requires that the record show the length of the time medication the prescription/was administered and the person's reaction to it.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Health and Institutional Services
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