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L.D. 1918

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1466,
L.D. 1918, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Public Guardian-
ship and Disclosure of Information."

Amend the Bill by inserting before the enacting
clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
lature do not become effective until 90 days after
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the terms "public conservator" and "re-
quested" were inadvertently omitted from the language
used in the recodification of the Department of Men-
tal Health and Mental Retardation, the Revised Stat-
utes, Title 34-B; and

Whereas, the omission of these terms restricts
the Department of Human Services in its actions to
assist clients of the Department of Mental Health and
Mental Retardation; and

Whereas, the term "nominated" currently used in
the statutes has a specific meaning in the Probate
Code not intended to be applicable in this situation;
and

Whereas, the recodified statutes went into effect
on January 16, 1984, and there is a need to correct
the language as soon as possible; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
the Constitution of Maine and require the following
legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,

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1 therefore,'

2 Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end
3 before the statement of fact the following:

4 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency
5 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect
6 when approved.'

7 STATEMENT OF FACT

8 The emergency clause is necessary to bring the
9 language into conformity with the rest of the stat-
10 utes as quickly as possible, and to avoid any delays
11 in services to clients of the Department of Mental
12 Health and Mental Retardation.

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