

D. OFR 1 2 3 STATE OF MAINE 4 SENATE 5 112TH LEGISLATURE 6 SECOND REGULAR SESSION 7 SENATE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 896, L.D. 2253, 8 Bill, "AN ACT to Enhance the Protection of Mental 9 Health Recipients' Rights." 10 Amend the bill in section 2, in that part designated "§5-501." in the 2nd paragraph, by striking out 11 all of the last underlined sentence and inserting in 12 13 its place the following: 14 'A power of attorney containing authority to consent to medical or other professional care must be nota-15

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17 STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment changes the requirement in the 18 bill that powers of attorney allowing consent to med-19 20 ical or other professional care be executed with all 21 the formalities of the execution of a will. This amendment requires that such powers be notarized 22 23 rather than simply witnessed.

24 The original bill, as drafted, could raise a 25 question about the continuing validity of powers of 26 attorney previously executed.

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