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Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate Presented by Senator GILL of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative KIMBALL of Buxton, Representative TAYLOR of Camden, Representative CONLEY of

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Clarify the Confidentiality of Certain Information Under the Reporting of Abuse and Neglect Laws.

5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 6 follows:

22 MRSA §4011, sub-§1-B is enacted to read:

1-B. Report not required. A person shall not be required to report when the factual basis for knowing or suspecting abuse or neglect comes from treatment of a person responsible for the child, the treatment was sought by that person for a problem of abuse or neglect and there is little threat of serious harm to the child.

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This bill will establish that certain information 3 may be kept confidential under the laws relating to 4 the reporting abuse or neglect. The confidentiality 5 will be in relation to certain professional treatment 6 being given.

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