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STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 435, L.D. 1152, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Adult Protective Services Act"

Amend the bill by adding after the title the following:

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

**Whereas,** changes in the adult protective services law are necessary in order to permit the effective functioning of the State's adult protective services effort; and

**Whereas,** certified nursing assistants are currently not required to report suspected cases of abuse, neglect or exploitation of an incapacitated adult; and

**Whereas,** some cases of abuse, neglect or exploitation might go unreported if this Act does not become effective for 90 days; 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 preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Further amend the bill in section 6 in subsection 1 in the 5th line (page 2, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "nurse's aide" and inserting in its place the following: 'nursing assistant'

Further amend the bill by adding before the statement of fact the following:

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

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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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This amendment adds an emergency preamble and clause.

Reported by Senator Gauvreau for the Committee on Human Resources.  
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