

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
115TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 305, L.D. 435, Bill, "An Act to Require Telephone Companies to Include Emergency Numbers for Sheriffs' Departments in Directories"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

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

Whereas, this bill requires conspicuous inclusion of emergency numbers in telephone directories and this may save lives; 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,

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

35-A MRSA §7501-A is enacted to read:

§7501-A. Emergency numbers in directories

Every telephone company shall include in a conspicuous portion of any directory that it publishes after the effective date of this section the emergency numbers of the State Police and any sheriffs' departments that serve the directory area.

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

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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6 This amendment requires every telephone company to include  
in a conspicuous portion of any directory it publishes after the  
effective date of this Act the emergency numbers of the State  
8 Police as well as any sheriffs' departments that serve the  
directory area. This amendment also adds an emergency preamble  
10 and emergency clause.

Reported by the Committee on Utilities

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