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Submitted by the Department of the Attorney General pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative PARADIS of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

**An Act to Modify the Medical Examiner Act to Limit Liability of
Medical Record Providers.**



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

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3 22 MRSA §3022, sub-§7, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987,
4 c. 329, §2, is amended to read:

6 7. **Medical records provided.** In any medical examiner case,
7 upon oral or written request of the medical examiner, any
8 individual, partnership, association, corporation, institution or
9 governmental entity which that has rendered treatment pertaining
10 to the medical examiner case shall as soon as practicable provide
11 the medical examiner with all medical records pertaining to the
12 person and the treatment provided. No individual, partnership,
13 association, corporation, institution, governmental entity or
14 employee or agent of a governmental entity may be criminally or
15 civilly responsible for furnishing any medical records in
16 compliance with this subsection.

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19 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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21 This bill enacts language that parallels the Maine Revised
22 Statutes, Title 5, section 200-E, subsection 6 to extend immunity
23 from civil and criminal liability to those persons, primarily
24 physicians and hospitals, who provide the medical examiner with
the materials needed to perform the functions of that office.