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4	(Filing No. H-311)
6	STATE OF MAINE
8	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 116TH LEGISLATURE
10	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
12	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "#" to H.P. 586, L.D. 790, Bill, "Ar
14	Act to Clarify the Tax-exempt Status of Community Mental Health Service Facilities"
16	Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the
18	enacting clause the following:
20	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
22	as emergencies; and
24	Whereas, nonprofit community mental health service facilities are a vital component of our mental health care
26	system; and
28	Whereas, nonprofit community mental health service facilities serve populations of Maine citizens that have no other
30	access to similar resources; and
32	Whereas, funds for nonprofit community mental health service facilities are extremely scarce, making it imperative that funds
34	for services be devoted solely to the rendition of services and not dissipated in the form of costly legal fees for the
36	litigation of issues relating to the tax-exempt status of the activities of nonprofit community mental health service
38	facilities; and
40	Whereas, immediate action is necessary to prevent the
42	inappropriate assessment of real estate of nonprofit community mental health service facilities as of the annual assessment date of April 1st; and
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COMMITTEE	AMENDMENT	."[]	**	to	H.P.	586,	L.D.	790

	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
2	create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
4	necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
	safety; now, therefore,'
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	Further amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph A in the
8	last paragraph in the last line (page 1, line 48 in L.D.) by
•	striking out the following: "501" and inserting in its place the
LO	following: '501(c)(3)'
12	Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the
	following:
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	'Sec. 2. Application. This Act applies for property tax years
16	beginning on or after April 1, 1993.
18 .	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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This amendment adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause to the bill. The amendment also adds an application clause and makes a technical correction.

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