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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 586, L.D. 790, Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Tax-exempt Status of Community Mental Health Service Facilities"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

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

**Whereas,** nonprofit community mental health service facilities are a vital component of our mental health care system; and

**Whereas,** nonprofit community mental health service facilities serve populations of Maine citizens that have no other access to similar resources; and

**Whereas,** funds for nonprofit community mental health service facilities are extremely scarce, making it imperative that funds for services be devoted solely to the rendition of services and not dissipated in the form of costly legal fees for the litigation of issues relating to the tax-exempt status of the activities of nonprofit community mental health service facilities; and

**Whereas,** immediate action is necessary to prevent the inappropriate assessment of real estate of nonprofit community mental health service facilities as of the annual assessment date of April 1st; and

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

