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**STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1084, L.D. 1526, Bill, "An Act to Allow Involuntary Commitments at Hospitals under Contract with the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation"

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 5 in paragraph B in the first paragraph in the 2nd line from the end (page 1, line 39 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "commission" and inserting in its place the following: 'commissioner'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

The Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation will require additional General Fund appropriations to support the cost of involuntary placements in community hospitals. The exact amounts can not be determined at this time, as they will depend on the specific provisions of each contract and on the amount of funding available to support these new costs.

The Governor's proposed supplemental budget, Part 2, includes \$500,000, annually, in fiscal year 1995-96 and fiscal year 1996-97 to fund community-based inpatient costs. The Governor's current services budget also includes funding for diversionary services, some of which may be available to support these new costs.'

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

This amendment corrects a typographical error and adds a fiscal note to the bill.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**