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	L.D. 1584
2	DATE: $5-8-97$ (Filing No. H- $4/2$)
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б	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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10	Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.
12	STATE OF MAINE
14	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 118TH LEGISLATURE
1 6	FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\widehat{\mathcal{H}}$ " to H.P. 1128, L.D. 1584, Bill, "An
20	Act Regarding Confidentiality of Information Concerning Residents of Certain Facilities"
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24	Amend the bill in section 3 in that part designated "\$7806." in the first line (page 1, line 26 in L.D.) by striking out the following" "rules" and inserting in its place the following:
26	'guidelines'
28	Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:
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32	FISCAL NOTE
34	The additional costs associated with establishing a model
36	resident information confidentiality policy can be absorbed by the Department of Human Services utilizing existing budgeted resources.
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40	The member agencies of the Interdepartmental Council will incur some minor additional costs to develop a plan for the

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residential services. These costs can be absorbed within the

respective departments' existing budgeted resources.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment clarifies that the Department of Human Services shall establish by rule confidentiality guidelines for releasing nontreatment information about a minor residents in residential care facilities, congregate housing, drug treatment centers and children's homes to law enforcement agencies, schools, parents, guardians or other appropriate public agencies. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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