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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1198, L.D. 1708, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Home-release Monitoring Program"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §1659, sub-§2, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 224, is amended to read:

C. The inmate has ~~no history of escape or violent behavior and has~~ a verified security classification level of medium or minimum;

Sec. 4. 30-A MRSA §1659, sub-§2, ¶C-1 is enacted to read:

C-1. The offense for which the inmate is serving a sentence is not an offense under Title 17-A, chapter 11;

Further amend the bill in section 4 in paragraph D in the 2nd line (page 1, line 38 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2 days" and inserting in its place the following: '1/3'

Further amend the bill in section 4 in paragraph D in the 5th line (page 1, line 41 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "5 days" and inserting in its place the following: '1/3'

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
summary the following:

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6 **FISCAL NOTE**

8 This bill amends the home-release monitoring program to
allow county jail inmates to be released and to be intensively
10 supervised. The Department of Corrections will incur some minor
additional costs to establish standards for intensive
12 supervision. These costs can be absorbed within the department's
existing budgeted resources.'

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16 **SUMMARY**

18 This amendment removes that part of the bill that deletes
the limitation for the home-release monitoring program concerning
20 the crime for which the inmate is serving the sentence. It
changes the limitations for eligibility by deleting the
22 requirement that the inmate have no history of escape or violent
behavior and by adding that the offense for which the inmate is
24 serving a sentence is not a sex offense. It also changes the
minimum time an inmate must serve to be eligible for home-release
26 monitoring to 1/3 of the sentence for all sentences. The
amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.