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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1825, L.D. 2560, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Acreage Requirements for a Cemetery to Contain a Columbarium"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 13 MRSA §1341 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§1341. Location

1. Mausoleum, crematory or other structure. A community mausoleum, crematory or other structure that holds or contains dead human bodies may only be erected in a cemetery that is at least 20 acres in size and has been in existence and used for burial for at least 2 years preceding the erection of the structure.

2. Columbarium. A columbarium that holds or contains the cremated remains of dead human bodies may only be erected in a cemetery that is at least 5 acres in size and has been in existence and used for burial for at least 2 years preceding the erection of the structure.

3. Exception. This section does not apply to a structure containing crypts erected or controlled by a church or religious society used for the remains of the clergy or dignitaries of the church or religious society.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1825, L.D. 2560

SUMMARY

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The original bill reduced the number of acres from 20 to 5 that a cemetery must have in order to erect a columbarium, community mausoleum or crematory. This amendment clarifies that the acreage is reduced only to erect a columbarium.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT