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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1230, L.D. 1652, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Number of Jurors Required To Render a Verdict in a Civil Trial"

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, correcting the number of jurors required to render a verdict should be done as soon as possible to avoid inconsistencies among civil trials and verdicts; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to make the bill take effect immediately.

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