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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1284, L.D. 1762, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Maine Emergency Medical Services Act of 1982"

Amend the bill in section 5 in subsection 3 in the 3rd line (page 5, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "records become" and inserting in its place the following: 'records and complaints become'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 6 the following:

'Sec. 7. Resolve 2003, c. 23, §4 is amended to read:

Sec. 4. Report; legislation. Resolved: That the commissioner shall submit a report that includes findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, to the Joint-Standing-Committee on-Criminal-Justice-and-Public-Safety joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters no later than January 31, 2004 2005. The Joint-Standing-Committee-on-Criminal-Justice-and-Public-Safety joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice and public safety matters may report out legislation related to this report to the Second First Regular Session of the 121st 122nd Legislature; and be it further

Sec. 8. Retroactivity. That section of this Act that amends Resolve 2003, chapter 23 applies retroactively to January 31, 2004.'

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SUMMARY

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6 This amendment clarifies that both investigative records and
8 complaints become public records upon the conclusion of an
10 investigation, unless they are confidential pursuant to another
12 provision of law. The amendment also changes from January 31,
2004 to January 31, 2005 the date by which the Commissioner of
Public Safety must complete a study of the statewide emergency
medical services system and report findings and suggested
legislation to the Legislature.