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House of Representatives, February 7, 2006

An Act To Preserve Patient Records

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Van Buren.
Cosponsored by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland and
Representatives: MARRACHÉ of Waterville, MAZUREK of Rockland, PERRY of Calais.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1721** is enacted to read:

3 **§1721. Destruction of certain images limited**

4 A hospital licensed pursuant to chapter 405 or a health care practitioner as defined in
5 section 1711-C, subsection 1, paragraph F may not destroy an image of a patient recorded
6 using x rays, magnetic resonance imaging or computerized tomography without the
7 consent of the patient.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill provides that a hospital or health care practitioner may not destroy an image
10 of a patient recorded using x rays, magnetic resonance imaging or computerized
11 tomography without the consent of the patient.