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House of Representatives, March 15, 2007

An Act To Facilitate the Reporting of the Crime of Acquiring Drugs by Deception

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative McKANE of Newcastle.
Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1108, sub-§6** is enacted to read:

3 6. A prescribing health care provider, or a person acting under the direction or
4 supervision of a prescribing health care provider, who knows or has reasonable cause to
5 believe that a person has committed deception may report that fact to a law enforcement
6 official. A person participating in good faith in reporting under this subsection, or in
7 participating in a related proceeding, is immune from criminal or civil liability for the act
8 of reporting or participating in the proceeding.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill permits and provides immunity for the good faith reporting of the crime of
11 acquiring drugs by deception by a prescribing health care provider, or a person acting
12 under the direction or supervision of a prescribing health care provider, to a law
13 enforcement official.