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9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " <b>A</b> " to H.P. 737, L.D. 1046, Bill, "An Act To Provide Immunity for Prescribing and Dispensing Intranasal Naloxone Kits"		
_ 11	Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:		
12	'An Act Providing for the Prescribing and Administering of Naloxone'		
13 14	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:		
15	'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA c. 556-A is enacted to read:		
16	CHAPTER 556-A		
17	NALOXONE PRESCRIPTION, POSSESSION AND ADMINISTRATION		
18	§2355. Naloxone prescription, possession and administration		
19	1. Prescription. A health care professional may prescribe and dispense naloxone to		
20 21	a person at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose. A health care professional may prescribe and dispense naloxone to a person who, in the judgment of the health care		
21	professional, is capable of administering the drug in an emergency and may be in a		
23	position to assist an individual during an opioid-related overdose.		
24 25	A. As used in this section, "health care professional" means a health care professional licensed under Title 32 with authority to prescribe naloxone.		
26	B. A health care professional prescribing naloxone to a person shall provide to the		
27	person opioid overdose information that must include, but is not limited to,		
28	information on:		
29	(1) The causes of an opioid overdose;		
30	(2) How to recognize the symptoms of an opioid overdose;		
31	(3) How to contact the appropriate emergency medical services; and		

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(4) How to administer naloxone.

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C. A prescription issued under this subsection is deemed to be for a legitimate medical purpose in the usual course of professional practice.

2. Possession and administration. A person who has received opioid overdose information identified in subsection 1 may receive a prescription for naloxone pursuant to subsection 1, possess naloxone and administer naloxone to an individual who the person believes in good faith is experiencing an opioid-related overdose.'

## SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment authorizes a health care professional to prescribe and dispense naloxone to a person at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose and a person who may be in a position to assist an individual during an opioid-related overdose. The amendment also authorizes a person who has received opioid overdose information to receive a prescription for and possess noloxane and administer naloxone to an individual who the person believes in good faith is experiencing an opioid-related overdose.

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