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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 149, L.D. 206, Bill, "An Act To Clarify Restrictions on Disclosure of E-9-1-1 System Information"

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2929, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2011, c. 623, Pt. D, §1, is further amended to read:

1. Definition. As used in this section, "confidential information" means the following information as contained in any database, report, audio recording or other record of the bureau or a public safety answering point:

A. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of persons listed in E-9-1-1 databases;

B. Names, addresses and telephone numbers that are omitted from a telephone utility directory list at the request of a customer;

C. ~~The name, address and telephone number~~ Personally identifying information of a caller to a public safety answering point; or

D. ~~The name, address and telephone number~~ Personally identifying information of and any medical information about a person receiving emergency services through the E-9-1-1 system; or

E. Personally identifying information of any 3rd party, including, but not limited to, a minor, given during a telephone call to a public safety answering point.

For the purposes of this subsection, "personally identifying information" means any information that directly or by reasonable inference might disclose the identity of or personal information about a specific person or persons, including, but not limited to, a person's name, home address, telephone number, mailing address, e-mail address, date of birth, physical residence location, approximate physical location, global positioning system coordinate location information and social security number. "Personally identifying information" does not include the name, title, official agency contact

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1 information or, when applicable, official agency identifying number of a public employee
2 involved in a response to an emergency call in the course of carrying out the public
3 employee's official duties.

4 For the purposes of this subsection, "medical information" includes, but is not limited to,
5 any information revealing or concerning a person's injury or injuries, physical health
6 status, mental health status, medication use, medical history or medical treatment.'

7 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
8 section number to read consecutively.

9 SUMMARY

10 This amendment adds a section to the bill to amend the current law definition of
11 "confidential information" related to E-9-1-1 system information. The amendment
12 provides that personally identifying information of a caller, a person receiving medical
13 services or any other 3rd party mentioned in an E-9-1-1 call is confidential. Current law
14 protects only the name, address and telephone number of the caller and the name, address
15 and telephone number and medical information of the person receiving medical services.

16 This amendment defines "personally identifying information" and "medical
17 information." "Personally identifying information" means any information that directly
18 or by reasonable inference might disclose the identity of or personal information about a
19 specific person or persons. It does not include the name, title, official agency contact
20 information or, when applicable, official agency identifying number of a public employee
21 involved in a response to an emergency call in the course of carrying out the public
22 employee's official duties. "Medical information" includes, but is not limited to, any
23 information revealing or concerning a person's injury or injuries, physical health status,
24 mental health status, medication use, medical history or medical treatment.