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HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
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130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 12, L.D. 5, "An Act Concerning the Reporting of Health Care Information or Records to the Emergency Medical Services' Board"

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

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, in order to be fully implemented, this legislation requires the adoption of rules by the Emergency Medical Services' Board; and

Whereas, it is important for the board to be able to begin the rule-making process as soon as possible; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill in section 4 in §96 in the first indented paragraph in the 6th line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "results" the following: ', that relate to abortion, miscarriage, domestic violence or sexual assault'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the Department of Public Safety, Maine Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Medical Services' Board may not request or collect health

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 12, L.D. 5 (S-4)

1 care information or records identifying a patient that relate to abortion, miscarriage,
2 domestic violence or sexual assault. The bill prohibits the requesting and collection of
3 health care information or records identifying a patient that include HIV or AIDS status or
4 test results or that relate to referral, treatment or services for a behavioral or mental health
5 disorder or substance use disorder.

6 This amendment also adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

7 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

8 (See attached)



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An Act Concerning the Reporting of Health Care Information or Records to the Emergency Medical Services' Board

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-4)
Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Public Safety associated with collecting and processing health care information can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.