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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 213, L.D. 459, "An Act to Update the Procedures for Issuance of Orders Related to Involuntary Hospitalizations"

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Amend the bill by adding before section 1 the following:

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'Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §3801, sub-§12 is enacted to read:

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12. Electronic endorsement. "Electronic endorsement" has the same meaning as "electronic signature" in Title 4, section 17, subsection 18, paragraph A.'

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in the 3rd and 4th lines (page 1, lines 6 and 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "a an" and inserting the following: 'a secure'

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in paragraph A in the 4th line (page 1, line 11 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "electronically or"

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in paragraph A in the 5th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "machine" the following: 'or an electronic endorsement transmitted by secure electronic means'

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in paragraph A in the 5th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the original" and inserting the following: 'the an original'

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

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SUMMARY

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This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, requires that the electronic transmission of an application for and of a court order granting an application for emergency involuntary commitment be through secure means. It also authorizes a Justice of the Superior Court, Judge of the District Court, Judge of Probate or justice of the peace to endorse the application electronically.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT