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RESOLVE, C. 161

process under this section as determined necessary by the department to:

- A. Hospitals;
- B. Behavioral health agencies;

C. Assertive community treatment teams pursuant to Title 34-B, section 3801, subsection 11;

D. All providers, including telehealth services providers contracted by the State, conducting temporary weapons removal assessments;

E. District attorneys; and

F. Representatives of the judicial branch.

3. The Department of Public Safety shall invite the participation of a statewide association of hospitals, individual hospitals and service providers, including telehealth services providers contracted by the State, to collaboratively develop materials for the training programs under this section.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, beginning March 1, 2023 and each March 1st until March 1, 2026, the Department of Public Safety shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary matters on the following:

1. Participation in the training programs under section 1;

2. Materials for the training programs under section 1;

3. Identification of telehealth services providers contracted by the State and credentials of all providers conducting temporary weapons removal assessments; and

4. The number of temporary weapons removal assessments conducted per month, including:

A. The number of temporary weapons removal assessments conducted in person, including the locations;

B. The number of temporary weapons removal assessments conducted by telehealth services providers contracted by the State, and the locations where the persons being assessed were located during the temporary weapons removal assessments;

C. The number of temporary weapons removal assessments that recommended temporary weapons removal;

D. For recommended temporary weapons removals, whether the removals were based on the person's being assessed as:

- (1) Predominantly a threat to self;
- (2) Predominantly a threat to others; or
- (3) A threat to both self and others; and

E. The number of temporary weapons removal assessments that were requested by law enforcement officers but not conducted and the reasons they were not conducted.

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CHAPTER 161

S.P. 368 - L.D. 1107

Resolve, Directing the Maine Connectivity Authority To Take Further Actions To Bring High-speed Broadband to Unserved Areas

Sec. 1. Regional partnership strategies. Resolved: That the Maine Connectivity Authority, established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 9404 and referred to in this resolve as "the authority," shall seek to encourage and support regional partnerships among appropriate entities to identify and implement strategies to bring high-speed broadband to un-served areas of the State. The strategies must involve approaches and models that recognize and address population densities and the high cost of providing service to low-density areas; ensure the inclusion of services to all individuals and communities, including the most disadvantaged populations, within the area, commonly referred to as "digital inclusion"; and ensure the capacity of relevant communities to undertake a comprehensive approach to bringing broadband to the area. The strategies must involve consideration of requirements to receive available funding for expanding high-speed broadband connectivity as well as the critical nature of providing the connectivity in a time frame that meets the needs of the area.

Sec. 2. Reports. Resolved: That the authority shall, by January 15, 2023, report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over energy, utilities and technology matters any federally approved plans for funding the activities described in section 1, including from the United States Department of the Treasury's Capital Projects Fund or the United States Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program funded by the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

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