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An Act To Require Pharmacies To Provide Disposal Receptacles for Used Hypodermic Apparatuses

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland. Cosponsored by Representatives: CHENETTE of Saco, GATTINE of Westbrook, HYMANSON of York, STUCKEY of Portland, TUCKER of Brunswick, Senator: BURNS of Washington. 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1341, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2007, c. 346, Pt. A, §1, is
 further amended to read:

- **2. Rules.** The Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention shall adopt rules
 pursuant to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act establishing requirements for
 hypodermic apparatus exchange programs. The rules must include but are not limited to:
- 7 A. Procedures for the safe disposal of hypodermic apparatuses;
- 8 B. Tracking the number of hypodermic apparatuses distributed and collected;
- 9 C. Drug abuse prevention and treatment education; and
- 10 D. Measures to discourage the utilization of used hypodermic apparatuses.; and
- 11E. Requiring a pharmacy that dispenses hypodermic apparatuses to provide a
container for the on-site disposal of used hypodermic apparatuses.

Rules adopted or amended pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined
in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

SUMMARY

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16 This bill requires the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to adopt rules 17 to add a requirement that hypodermic apparatus exchange programs require a pharmacy 18 that dispenses hypodermic apparatuses to provide a container for the on-site disposal of 19 used hypodermic apparatuses.