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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1022, L.D. 1499, Bill, “An Act To Increase the Safety of Social Workers”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §7032 is enacted to read:

§7032. Addresses confidential

The address and telephone number of an applicant for licensure or a person licensed under this chapter that are in the possession of the board are confidential. Nothing in this section prohibits the board and its staff from using and disclosing the address and telephone number of an applicant or licensee as necessary to perform the duties and functions of the board.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment specifies that the addresses and telephone numbers of applicants for licensure as well as of licensed social workers are confidential; the bill provides that only the home addresses of licensed social workers are confidential. The amendment also revises the language in the bill regarding confidentiality to be consistent with other references to confidential information in the Maine Revised Statutes. The amendment specifies that the confidentiality provision does not prohibit the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Social Worker Licensure from using and disclosing the addresses and telephone numbers of applicants or licensees as necessary to perform the duties and functions of the board.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT