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Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph A in subparagraph 1-A in the last line (page 1, line 35 in L.D.) by striking out the following: ", advanced practice registered nurse"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

**‘Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**

**Courts - Supreme, Superior, District and Administrative 0063**

Initiative: Deappropriates funds in fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09 rendered unnecessary by expansion of the pool of less expensive professionals eligible to perform examinations and provide medication in cases of involuntary treatment of mental health patients.

| <b>GENERAL FUND</b> | <b>2007-08</b>             | <b>2008-09</b> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| All Other           | (\$40,000)                 | (\$40,000)     |
|                     | <hr style="width: 100%;"/> |                |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL  | (\$40,000)                 | (\$40,000)     |

**SUMMARY**

This amendment removes from the bill the broad category of advanced practice registered nurses as persons who may perform mental health examinations for involuntary treatment orders at the time of a court proceeding on involuntary commitment under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B, section 3864, subsection 7-A. The amendment retains as examiners licensed physicians, licensed clinical psychologists, certified nurse practitioners and registered physician assistants. The amendment adds a deappropriation section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)