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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 57, L.D. 118, “An Act to Ensure Continuity of Care for Pretrial Defendants”

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph B in the 20th line (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "to the" and inserting the following: 'to each'

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph B in the 21st line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "defendant is placed by the"

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph B in the 22nd line (page 1, line 25 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "Services" the following: 'is considering placing the defendant and, following placement, to the institution or residential program into which the defendant is placed'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment authorizes the State Forensic Service to disclose prior court-ordered evaluation reports pertaining to the pending charges of pretrial defendants to institutions for the care and treatment of people with mental illness or residential programs that provide care and treatment for persons who have intellectual disabilities or autism into which the Commissioner of Health and Human Services is considering placing a defendant when the court commits the defendant to the commissioner for observation in such an institution or program.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT