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An Act to Authorize the Release of Military Records to the Office of Chief Medical Examiner for the Purposes of Suicide Reporting and Prevention

Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

R(+ B. Hunt

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative RIELLY of Westbrook.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA §509, sub-§7 is enacted to read:
3 4	7. Release of information about military status; suicide reporting and prevention. Upon request by an authorized representative of the Department of the Attorney General,
5 6 7	Office of Chief Medical Examiner in the conduct of official duties, the bureau may release information regarding a deceased person's military service for the purposes of suicide reporting and prevention.
8	SUMMARY
9	This bill allows the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management,
10 11 12	Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services to release a deceased person's military record to the Department of the Attorney General, Office of Chief Medical Examiner for the purposes of suicide reporting and prevention.