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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 415, L.D. 647, “An Act Regarding Telephone and Video Call Access in Detention and Correctional Facilities and Jails”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Expand County Jail and Correctional Facility Services to Indigent Residents'

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

'Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §1561, sub-§1, ¶H, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 201, §1, is amended to read:

H. Has less than ~~\$15~~ \$100 in the prisoner's facility account and did not receive additional money from any source for 6 months following the medical or dental service or provision of the prescription, medication or prosthetic device.

Sec. 2. 34-A MRSA §3015, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 615, Pt. A, §1, is amended to read:

A. The department shall provide a resident with a reasonable opportunity to make telephone calls to relatives and friends, except that the department may restrict or prohibit telephone calls when the restriction or prohibition is necessary for the security of the department facility. The department shall provide to a resident who has less than ~~\$10~~ \$100 in the resident's facility account a free telephone call allowance for 30 minutes of telephone calls per week under this paragraph.

Sec. 3. 34-A MRSA §3015, sub-§2, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 615, Pt. A, §1, is amended to read:

B. The department shall provide a resident with a reasonable opportunity to make telephone calls protected by the attorney-client privilege. The department shall provide to a resident who has less than ~~\$10~~ \$100 in the resident's facility account a free telephone call allowance for 30 minutes of telephone calls per week under this paragraph.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 chief administrative officer may charge the client for facility services, even if the client
2 would otherwise qualify for free facility services, for up to 90 days. The amendment also
3 adds an appropriations and allocations section.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 **(See attached)**