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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1362, L.D. 2032, “An Act to Amend the Extreme Risk Protection Order Procedure”

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the number of petitions filed under the laws governing extreme risk protection orders has significantly increased in recent years; and

Whereas, this legislation expedites justice for individuals who have a statutory right to a hearing; and

Whereas, this legislation improves court efficiency in adhering to those statutory hearing deadlines; and

Whereas, this legislation must take effect before the end of the 90-day period to ensure that extreme risk protection orders are processed in an efficient manner; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause to the bill.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT