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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1389, L.D. 2076, “An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Reporting of Incidents by Municipal Fire Chiefs”

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 United States Fire Administration within the United States Department of Homeland Security has implemented a new fire information and analytics reporting system; and

**Whereas,** the State's fire reporting system does not fulfill modern data analysis and decision support requirements of fire and emergency responders; and

**Whereas,** accurate incident reporting is essential for fire prevention, emergency planning, firefighter safety and federal grant eligibility; 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 emergency clause to the bill.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**