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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 505, L.D. 1216, “An Act to Improve Behavioral Health Crisis Services and Suicide Prevention Services”

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

**Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §1001, sub-§4-C** is enacted to read:

**4-C. 9-8-8.** "9-8-8" means the telephone number designated as the universal telephone number within the United States for the purpose of the national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline system operating through the 9-8-8 suicide and crisis lifeline.

**Sec. 2. 34-B MRSA §1001, sub-§4-D** is enacted to read:

**4-D. 9-8-8 suicide and crisis lifeline.** "9-8-8 suicide and crisis lifeline" means a national network of local crisis services that provide free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis, behavioral health crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in the United States. The 9-8-8 suicide and crisis lifeline, or its successor, is the national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline system maintained by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use under the federal Public Health Service Act, 42 United States Code, Section 290bb-36c.

**Sec. 3. 34-B MRSA c. 3, sub-c. 3, art. 2, headnote** is amended to read:

**ARTICLE 2**

**CRISIS INTERVENTION PROGRAM**

**Sec. 4. 34-B MRSA §3621**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 349, Pt. H, §21, is repealed.

**Sec. 5. 34-B MRSA §3625** is enacted to read:

**§3625. Crisis intervention support**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

