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Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 1 to 3 (page 1, lines 2 to 23 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following:

‘**Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §6903, sub-§13-A** is enacted to read:

13-A. Practitioner-specific quality data. "Practitioner-specific quality data" means material in electronic or paper format that provides information about the professional performance of a health care practitioner licensed to provide health care in the State. "Practitioner-specific quality data" includes, but is not limited to, records, reports, working papers, drafts, analyses, e-mail, interoffice and intraoffice memoranda and other data collected, used, produced or maintained by the Maine Quality Forum, established in section 6951, for the purposes of measuring a health care practitioner's professional performance against consensus best practices and local and national patterns of health care.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 5 and inserting in its place the following:

‘**Sec. 5. 24-A MRSA §6907, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

3. Practitioner-specific quality data. The confidentiality of practitioner-specific quality data is determined according to this subsection.

A. Practitioner-specific quality data is confidential and may not be disclosed by the Maine Quality Forum prior to a determination of accuracy and completeness made under paragraph B.

B. Practitioner-specific quality data is not confidential after a determination of its accuracy and completeness is made by the Director of the Maine Quality Forum or a designee.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment provides a definition of "practitioner-specific quality data" and adds a new section on the confidentiality of practitioner-specific quality data collected, used or maintained by the Maine Quality Forum.