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House of Representatives, March 10, 2021

An Act Concerning the Unannounced Execution of Search Warrants

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DOORE of Augusta, EVANGELOS of Friendship,
GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, WARREN of Hallowell.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2803-B, sub-§1, ¶L**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 411, Pt. C, §3
3 and affected by Pt. D, §3, is further amended to read:

4 L. Mental illness and the process for involuntary commitment, and the process
5 pursuant to Title 34-B, section 3862-A; ~~and~~

6 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2803-B, sub-§1, ¶M**, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 147, §20, is
7 amended to read:

8 M. Freedom of access requests. The chief administrative officer of a municipal, county
9 or state law enforcement agency shall certify to the board annually that the agency has
10 adopted a written policy regarding procedures to deal with a freedom of access request
11 and that the chief administrative officer has designated a person who is trained to
12 respond to a request received by the agency pursuant to Title 1, chapter 13; and

13 **Sec. 3. 25 MRSA §2803-B, sub-§1, ¶N** is enacted to read:

14 N. Unannounced execution of search warrants.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill requires law enforcement agencies to adopt written policies regarding the
17 unannounced execution of search warrants. Such policies must meet the minimum
18 standards adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy.