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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1370, L.D. 1849, “An Act To Clarify Inspection Requirements for Hospitals and Certain Nursing Facilities”

Amend the bill in section 1 in §1816 in subsection 1 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Office of MaineCare Services" and inserting the following: 'division of licensing and certification'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §1816 in subsection 1 in the 6th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "A" the following: 'full'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §1816 in subsection 1 in the last line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "prior to" the following: 'the issuance of full'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §1816 in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraph B (page 1, lines 23 to 26 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'B. The hospital provides, to the department, a copy of the survey findings of the health care facility accrediting organization described in paragraph A, including a statement of deficiencies, and the hospital's final plan of correction for any identified deficiencies that is accepted by the health care facility accrediting organization. Survey findings, a statement of deficiencies and the hospital's final plan of correction provided pursuant to this subsection are confidential.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment makes the following changes to the bill.

1. It changes the reference to inspections from the Office of MaineCare Services to the division of licensing and certification within the Department of Health and Human Services.

2. It clarifies that when a license is issued, it is a full license.

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- 1 3. It provides that survey findings conducted by an accreditation agency, including a
- 2 statement of deficiencies, and the hospital's final plan of action that are submitted to the
- 3 Department of Health and Human Services are confidential.