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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1449, L.D. 2038, “An Act To Ensure the Safety of State Employees By Allowing Disclosure of Certain Information in Limited Circumstances”

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

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4008, sub-§2, ¶A-2 is enacted to read:

A-2. An administrator of a social media service, to the extent authorized by a court for reporting, investigating or removing a threat or serious intimidation attempt directed against an employee of the department, an employee of the Attorney General's Office, a guardian ad litem or an employee or officer of any court or court system. The information remains confidential, and the social media service may not disclose any of the information provided by the department under this paragraph. For the purposes of this paragraph, "social media service" means an electronic medium or service through which users create, share and view user-generated content that is generally viewable by the public;'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment requires court authorization for the Department of Health and Human Services to release confidential information related to child protective activities to an administrator of a social media service to report, investigate or remove a threat or serious intimidation attempt directed at a department employee, an employee of the Attorney General's Office, a guardian ad litem, a court employee or an officer of the court, including prosecuting and other attorneys.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 The amendment defines "social media service" and prohibits the social media service
2 from redisclosing the confidential information that is provided by the department.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)