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**STATE OF MAINE**  
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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 381,  
L.D. 613, “An Act to Amend the Maine Death with Dignity Act to Ensure Access by  
Qualified Patients”

Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 11 by striking out all of the first  
blocked paragraph (page 1, lines 23 to 25 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'The attending physician may waive a portion of the waiting periods required in this  
subsection if, in the attending physician's medical opinion, it is in the best interests of the  
qualified patient, given the qualified patient's condition, as long as the waiting period in  
total is no less than 7 days.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 4 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 4. 22 MRSA §2140, sub-§14, ¶H** is enacted to read:

H. When a portion of the waiting periods under this section has been waived pursuant  
to subsection 11, a note by the attending physician that, in the attending physician's  
medical opinion, it is in the best interests of the qualified patient to waive a portion of  
the waiting periods, given the qualified patient's condition, and what portion of the  
waiting periods has been waived. The waiting period in total may not be less than 7  
days.'

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment provides a waiting period in total of no less than 7 days.

**SPONSORED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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