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130TH LEGISLATURE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1093, L.D. 1478, “An Act To Decriminalize Homelessness”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act To Require the Use of Homelessness Crisis Protocols by Law Enforcement Agencies'**

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

'Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §18 is enacted to read:

**§18. Homelessness crisis protocol**

A person who lacks a home who commits a listed offense because the person lacks a home must be treated in accordance with the homelessness crisis protocol adopted by the responding law enforcement agency under subsection 2.

**1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

- A. "Law enforcement agency" has the same meaning as in Title 25, section 3701, subsection 1.
- B. "Listed offense" means:
  - (1) Criminal trespass in violation of section 402, subsection 1, paragraph C or F;
  - (2) Disorderly conduct in violation of section 501-A, subsection 1, paragraph A;
  - (3) Indecent conduct in violation of section 854 that is based on urinating in public;
  - (4) Possession of a scheduled drug in violation of chapter 45 that is based on using the scheduled drug; or
  - (5) Public drinking in violation of Title 17, section 2003-A, subsection 2.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

