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**LD 1008**  
**Majority Report Amendment**  
**(Minority OTP)**

*Amend the bill by inserting before section 1 the following section (substantive changes from original bill language are shaded):*

**Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §717** is enacted to read:

**§717. Joint use entity liaisons**

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

A. "Disaster" has the same meaning as in Title 37-B, section 703, subsection 2.

B. "Facilities" has the same meaning as in section 2502, subsection 3.

C. "Joint use entity" has the same meaning as in section 711, subsection 7, paragraph B.

**2. Joint use entity; liaison designation.** A joint use entity shall designate, in each county where the joint use entity has facilities, a permanent liaison with the applicable county emergency management agency that will be responsible for assisting the agency with the coordination of actions during a disaster or civil emergency and shall communicate to the agency the contact information for the liaison. A joint use entity is responsible for ensuring that that a permanent liaison designated under this subsection responds immediately to any contact or request for assistance during a disaster or civil emergency from the county emergency management agency to which the liaison is designated.

**3. County emergency management agency; information sharing.** A county emergency management agency that receives a communication from a joint use entity designating a permanent liaison pursuant to subsection 2 shall communicate to that joint use entity the contact information for the employee or employees of the county emergency management agency that will be responsible for coordinating the actions of the county emergency management agency during a disaster or civil emergency.

*Amend the bill by striking all of section 2. Renumber sections as necessary.*

## **SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, retains the requirement in the bill that a joint use entity designate a permanent liaison with each county emergency management agency in the State in counties in which the joint use entity has facilities in order to assist in the coordination of efforts during a disaster or civil emergency, but moves that requirement from Title 37-B as proposed in the bill to Title 35-A. The amendment also provides that a joint use entity is responsible for ensuring that that such a designated permanent liaison responds immediately to any contact or request for assistance during a disaster or civil emergency from the county emergency management agency to which the liaison is designated. It further provides that a county emergency management agency that receives such a communication from a joint use entity designating a permanent liaison shall communicate to that joint use entity the contact information for the employee or employees of the county emergency management agency that will be responsible for coordinating the actions of the county emergency management agency during a disaster or civil emergency.