

April 19, 2021

Representative McCreight Health Coverage, Insurance, and Financial Services Committee State House Augusta ME 04332

Re LD299 An Act to Provide Clarity in the Laws Governing the Profession of Counseling

Dear Representative McCreight:

The Maine Psychological Association (MePA) is a membership organization representing psychologists in Maine who work in private practice, at Maine's colleges and universities, and in the public sector. Our mission is to advance psychology as a science, as a profession, and as a means of promoting health and human welfare.

MePA supports LD299, a bill providing statutory language that describes and differentiates between the licensed title of counselor and the practice of counseling, similar to that found in Vermont and New Hampshire law and in Maine law governing alcohol and drug counseling.

The bill provides clarity in the laws governing the profession of counseling. Thank you for your attention to this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Thomas Cooper, PsyD President