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Neither For Nor Against (1822)

An Act to Enact the Maine Online Data Privacy Act

Sponsored by Representative Kuhn
Committee on Judiciary

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and other distinguished members of the joint standing committee on Judiciary, my name is Lieutenant Mathew Casavant, and I am here to represent the Maine State Police and the Maine Department of Public Safety to testify neither for nor against LD 1822, "An Act to Enact the Maine Online Data Privacy Act."

The Maine Department of Public Safety and Maine State Police are still reviewing this 24-page bill to carefully determine any potential public safety issues related to this very detailed and complex bill. One concern surrounds the definition of HIPPA within the bill and how this might impact the National Precursor Log Exchange, and the sharing of state statute required information by pharmaceutical entities. A more thorough review of this bill's language is needed to determine if there will be an impact on tools used by law enforcement to identify suspects in crimes, locate next of kin in homicide and death investigations, and matters related to ensuring the safety of all those who live and visit Maine.

On behalf of the State Police and the Department of Public Safety, we appreciate your careful consideration of these issues.

Respectfully,

Lieutenant Mathew Casavant