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An Act To Allow Corrections Officers To Administer Naloxone

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative TIPPING of Orono.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GUERIN of Glenburn, WARD of Dedham, Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and Representatives: CARDONE of Bangor, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNPHY of Old Town, FREY of Bangor, HANINGTON of Lincoln, REED of Carmel, SCHNECK of Bangor, Senator: DILL of Penobscot.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2353, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2015, c. 508, §3, is further amended to read:

3. Authorized administration of naloxone hydrochloride by law enforcement officers, corrections officers and municipal firefighters. A law enforcement agency as defined in Title 25, section 3701, subsection 1, a correctional facility as defined in Title 34-A, section 1001, subsection 6 or a municipal fire department as defined in Title 30-A, section 3151, subsection 1 is authorized to obtain a supply of naloxone hydrochloride to be administered in accordance with this subsection. A law enforcement officer as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 17, in accordance with policies adopted by the law enforcement agency, a corrections officer as defined in Title 34-A, section 3101, subsection 1, in accordance with policies adopted by the correctional facility, and a municipal firefighter as defined in Title 30-A, section 3151, subsection 2, in accordance with policies adopted by the municipality, may administer intranasal naloxone hydrochloride as clinically indicated if the officer or firefighter has received medical training in accordance with protocols adopted by the Medical Direction and Practices Board established in Title 32, section 83, subsection 16-B. The Medical Direction and Practices Board shall establish medical training protocols for law enforcement officers, corrections officers and municipal firefighters pursuant to this subsection.

SUMMARY

This bill adds corrections officers to the list of persons authorized to administer naloxone hydrochloride.