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An Act To Define the Term "Behavioral Health"

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell.
Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, BROOKS of Lewiston, MEYER of Eliot, PERRY of Calais.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §1001, sub-§1-B** is enacted to read:

3 **1-B. Behavioral health.** "Behavioral health" includes but is not limited to a wide
4 range of mental health disorders and illnesses, substance misuse, substance use disorder
5 and developmental disabilities, including autism spectrum disorder.

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This bill defines "behavioral health" in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B as
8 including but not being limited to a wide range of mental health disorders and illnesses,
9 substance misuse, substance use disorder and developmental disabilities, including autism
10 spectrum disorder.