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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 322, L.D. 952, Bill, "AN ACT to Assist Handicapped Workers in Returning to Employment by Transfer to Suitable Work."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'<u>39 MRSA §66-A, first sentence</u>, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 417, is amended to read:

Where an employee has suffered a compensable injury which disables him from performing his customary or most recent work, his employer at the time of such injury shall transfer him to work suitable to his physical condition where such work is <u>can</u> <u>be reasonably made</u> available, during the time that the employee is subjected to medical treatment or rehabilitation, or both, and until such treatment is discontinued on the advice of the physician conducting the same or of the therapist in charge of the rehabilitation program or until the employee has reached the maximum level of rehabilitation for such worker in the judgment of the commission under all of the circumstances, whichever period is the longest.' COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 322, L.D. 952

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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to simplify the language of the bill by allowing the transfer of an employee to suitable work during the period of treatment of rehabilitation where such work can be reasonably made available.

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