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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 201

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7 H.P. 167

House of Representatives, January 29, 1985

8 Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested
9 and ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Bell of Paris.

11 Sponsored by Senator Twitchell of Oxford and Representative Walker
of Norway.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Amend the Medical Radiation, Health
18 and Safety Act.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §9852, sub-§5-A is enacted to
23 read:

24 5-A. Medical imaging. "Medical imaging" means
25 the use of scintillation camera or other radioactivi-
26 ty detecting equipment to reveal the distribution of
27 administered radioactive tracers in the human body
28 for the purpose of studying anatomy and function of
29 internal organs for diagnostic purposes.

30 Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §9855, sub-§5 is enacted to
31 read:

32 5. Limited nuclear medicine technologist. For
33 those applicants wishing to be licensed in nuclear
34 medicine only for the limited purpose of performing

1 medical imaging, the board shall grant a limited nu-
2 clear medicine technologist license and shall, in ap-
3 proving a course of study, training and examination
4 for these applicants, consider the limited scope of
5 practice of medical imaging. Those aspects of study,
6 training and examination relating to patient safety
7 shall be identical to the requirements for a full nu-
8 clear medicine license.

9 STATEMENT OF FACT

10 This bill amends the Radiation Health and Safety
11 Act, enacted in 1983, to authorize the Radiologic
12 Technology Board of Examiners to issue a limited li-
13 cense under the category of nuclear medicine to those
14 applicants who wish to perform only medical imaging
15 and not the full array of nuclear medicine testing.
16 Failure of the law to provide for such a license has
17 created a hardship for technologists employed by fa-
18 cilities performing only medical imaging who must
19 study and prepare for a national examination includ-
20 ing all areas of nuclear medicine testing, some of
21 which the applicants have no desire to perform.

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