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In Senate, January 10, 2017

An Act To Provide Consistency among Medical Professionals with Regard to Jury Duty Exemption

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

Heath & Print

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

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

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §1211, as amended by PL 2005, c. 60, §1, is further amended to read:

§1211. Disqualifications and exemptions from jury service

A prospective juror is disqualified to serve on a jury if that prospective juror is not a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age and a resident of the county, or is unable to read, speak and understand the English language. The following persons are exempt from serving as jurors: The the Governor; judges; physicians; certified nurse practitioners and dentists providing active patient care; veterinarians with or in an active veterinary medicine practice; sheriffs; attorneys-at-law; and all persons exempt under Title 37-B, section 185.

12 SUMMARY

This bill exempts certified nurse practitioners providing active patient care from jury duty.