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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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**AN ACT Relating to Chiropractic Services for Injured Employee Under  
Workmen's Compensation Law.**

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

R. S., T. 39, § 52, amended. The first paragraph of section 52 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as last amended by section 2 of chapter 374 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

An employee sustaining a personal injury by accident arising out of and in the course of his employment or who is disabled by occupational disease shall be entitled to reasonable and proper medical, surgical and hospital services, nursing, medicines, and such employee, should he voluntarily so choose, shall be entitled to chiropractic services, as needed, and mechanical and surgical aids, as needed, paid for by his employer, provided that the employee shall only be entitled to such chiropractic services which are rendered after such employee has been examined by a duly licensed doctor of medicine or duly licensed doctor of osteopathy and such doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy has made a written diagnosis or report of such employee's condition, which written diagnosis or report the doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy shall make available within a reasonable time and after payment of reasonable fee, to any licensed chiropractor selected by such employee. An injured employee shall have the right to make his own selection of a physician or surgeon or chiropractor subject to the limits prescribed in a case of chiropractic services above authorized to practice as such under the laws of this State from a panel or panels of physicians, surgeons and chiropractors selected by the Industrial Accident Commission for the services set forth.

A licensed chiropractor shall be deemed qualified to testify as an expert witness before the commission within the scope of his licensure.