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Presented by Senator Hichens of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Nonprofit Hospital and Medical Service.

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

R. S., T. 24, § 2301, sub-§ 2, amended. Subsection 2 of section 2301 of Title 24 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 419 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

2. **Nonprofit medical service plans.** To establish, maintain and operate nonprofit medical service plans, whereby medical or surgical service or expense indemnity is provided to such persons or groups of persons as shall become subscribers to such plan under contracts with such corporation, either in the capacity of principal or agent of other nonprofit medical service corporations, or insurance companies authorized to do business in this State, and the ~~physician or~~ physicians or chiropractors so contracting with such corporation, shall be governed by this section and shall be exempt from all other provisions of the insurance laws of this State, unless otherwise specifically provided in this chapter.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Since the healing sciences of chiropractic, dentistry, optometry, osteopathy, medicine, surgery and others are recognized by statute and by special Act of the Legislature and under the provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 13, chapter 81 and Title 24, chapter 19, there exists a **nonprofit** corporation for the purpose of providing to the people of the State of Maine certain "medical, surgical, obstetrical, optometric and related professional services;" it is the intent and purpose of this legislation not to deny the people of the State of Maine the right to choose from any member of the healing arts licensed under said Title by the State of Maine to administer to them.