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## ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

#### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Protect the Rights of Injured Persons under the Workmen's Compensation Law.

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

R. S., T. 39, § 112, additional. Title 39 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 112 to read as follows:

#### § 112. Protection

No statement, except that made in proceedings before the Industrial Accident Commission, of any kind, oral or written, recorded or unrecorded, made by an injured employee shall be admissible in evidence or considered in any way in any proceeding under this Title unless:

- 1. It is in writing;
- 2. A true copy of said statement is delivered to the employee at least 3 days before it is signed by him and the date of such delivery is confirmed by certified mail receipt signed by the employee;
  - 3. The employee has been previously advised in writing of:
  - A. The fact that the statement may be used against him;
  - B. The fact that the employer (insurance carrier) has pecuniary interest adverse to the employee;
  - C. The employee's right to consult with counsel prior to making any statements;

- D. The employee's right to decline to make any statement;
- E. The fact that his employer is prohibited by law from discriminating against him in any manner for refusing to make such a statement or exercising in any way his rights under this Title.

This section shall not apply to agreements for the payment of compensation approved or to be approved by the Industrial Accident Commission.