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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 106TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT"B" to H.P. 1964, L.D. 2503, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Price Information on Prescription Drugs and Permitting Advertising of Prescription Drug Prices."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in place thereof the following: 'AN ACT Relating to Price Information on Prescription Drugs.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'R.S., T. 22, §2204-D, additional. Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section, 2204-D, to read as follows:

§2204-D. Posting prices

The Board of Commissioners of the Profession of Pharmacy shall annually in August prepare a list of 100 prescription drugs ordered most frequently in the State in the 12 months immediately preceding compilation of the list. Copies of the list, in a form suitable for display, with type sufficiently large to be easily readable when on display and with appropriate space left for a price for each drug listed, shall be sent to each licensed pharmacy in the State annually upon publication.

Each licensed pharmacy in the State shall conspicuously post on its premises the aforementioned list and shall insert in the space provided on the list the pharmacy's current retail price for each such prescription drug.'

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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to lower the number of prescription drugs that are posted from 150 to 100 and to strike out all of the section which allows advertising.

Filed by Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick.

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