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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 436

S. P. 131 In Senate, January 30, 1975
Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary Presented by Senator Graffam of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Clarify the Definition of Employee in the Workmen's Compensation Act.

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

39 MRSA, § 2, sub-§ 5, ¶ D is enacted to read:

D. Any person employed by a corporation who owns or controls 5% or more of the outstanding voting stock of such corporation; and states in writing to the commission on or before January 30th of each year that he declines all benefits and privileges provided by workmen's compensation laws, except any new employee may file such statement within 30 days after his employment commences.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the definition of "employee" in the workmen's compensation law and to allow those employees who also have an interest in their employer to waive compensation coverage.