

## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "D" to H.P. 494, L.D. 724, Bill, "AN ACT Creating the Maine Health Maintenance Organization Act."

Amend said Bill in that part designated "<u>§4206.</u>" in subsection 1 by adding at the end a new sentence to read as follows:

Within one year following the date of issuance of a certificate of authority, at least 1/3 of the governing body of any Health Maintenance Organization shall be elected by the enrollees, except that this requirement shall not apply to individuals, partnerships and professional associations.'

## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to exclude individuals, partnerships and professional associations which initiate HMO's from the requirement that 1/3 of the governing body shall be elected by enrollees. The legal status of individuals, partnerships and professional associations prohibits them from meeting the "1/3" requirement. This amendment recognizes that problem while ensuring that corporations, firms and other legal entities starting HMO's do comply with the 1/3 requirement.

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