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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-747)
107TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT^A to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1401,
L.D. 1787, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish the Uniform Crime
Victims Reparations Act."

Amend said amendment by inserting in the 2nd sentence
of that part designated "§4206." after the words "for
medical care" the following: 'or nonmedical remedial care
and treatment rendered in accordance with a recognized
religious method of healing'

Further amend said amendment by inserting in the 2nd
line of the 2nd paragraph of that part designated "§4209."
after the underlined words "incurred for medical" the
following: 'or nonmedical remedial care and treatment
rendered in accordance with a recognized religious method
of healing'

Statement of Fact

Since the whole purpose of this bill is to aid the victim
of a crime, it's important to be sure that a victim isn't
discriminated against and denied compensation because he relies
on prayer and spiritual means alone for healing instead of
medical care. This amendment would provide comparable pro-
tection and benefits for those who rely on Christian Science
care and treatment as those who rely on medical treatment.

Insurance companies have long provided such benefits

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because they have found Christian Science treatment and care to be an effective means of healing. Christian Science care and treatment is also included under Medicare, the Federal Government-wide Indemnity Benefit Plan and the Federal Military Medical Benefits Program.

Filed by Mr. Perkins of South Portland.

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