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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 345

H. P. 268

House of Representatives, February 9, 1977

Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and 1,800 ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Physicians' Assistants.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, certain regulations concerning physicians' assistants will expire on April 1, 1977; and

Whereas, it is in the public interest to have permanent rules and regulations governing physicians' assistants; and

Whereas, it is necessary to insure that physicians' assistants are properly qualified and registered; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

32 **MRSA § 3270-D**, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 680, § 1, is repealed.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The 107th Legislature, in enacting rules and regulations for physicians' assistants, a section was included to terminate the authority of the board by

April 1, 1977. The reasons for termination of these sections are no longer valid and the rules and regulations concerning physicians' assistants are functioning effectively. This bill removes the termination provision from the law.