

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1188**

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H. P. 982

House of Representatives, March 23, 1977

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick, referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to the Definition of Ambulance Personnel.**

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

32 MRSA § 72, sub-§ 3, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 698, § 1, is amended to read:

3. **Ambulance personnel.** "Ambulance personnel" means individuals responsible for the emergency care and protection of the patient in preparation for transportation or during transportation. All ambulances shall carry at least one licensed personnel or a physician or an osteopathic physician or a **certified registered physician assistant under the direction of his supervisory physician** or a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse. The licensed personnel, physician, osteopathic physician, **certified registered physician assistant**, registered nurse or licensed practical nurse must at all times be physically present in that section of the ambulance where the patient is placed.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Under the existing law any ambulance is required to carry one, out of a series, licensed professional health care providers. Presently, physician assistants are not included among these providers. This bill would include physician assistants in that series.