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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-131)
109TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 377, L.D. 540, Bill, "AN ACT to Permit Signed Statements of Psychologists and Chiropractors to be Admitted into Evidence Before the Workers' Compensation Board."

Amend the bill in the title by striking out the following: "Psychologists and Chiropractors" and inserting in their place the following: 'Psychologists, Chiropractors and Podiatrists'

Further amend the bill by inserting in the 2nd line after the amending clause (same in LD), after the underlined words "medical questions" the following: 'by a podiatrist relating to podiatric questions,'

Further amend the bill by inserting in the next to the last line (last line in LD) after the underlined word "physician" the following: 'podiatrist,'

Statement of Fact

Consistent with the intent of the bill, podiatrists are licensed medical professionals by the State of Maine whose testimony likewise ought to be treated in the same fashion as that of those professions enumerated. In addition, a bill recently ordered reported from the Committee on Labor, S.P. 151, L.D. 328, would explicitly include podiatric services among those designated as reimbursable under the Workers' Compensation Act.