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H. P. 743

House of Representatives, March 2, 1979

On Motion of Mr. Hughes of Auburn, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.
Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Require Attorneys to Have Sufficient Professional Malpractice
Insurance as a Requirement for Admission to the Bar.**

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

4 MRSA § 807, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 696, § 26, is further amended by adding after the first paragraph the following new paragraph:

No person shall practice law within the State or before any court therein unless that person shall first obtain malpractice insurance as defined in Title 24-A, section 707, in the amount determined by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court to provide sufficient protection against loss, damage or expense caused to the potential clients of that person arising out of any acts of malpractice committed by that person.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that all practicing attorneys in Maine have malpractice insurance.