

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-572)  
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1483, L.D. 1611, Bill, "AN ACT to Control the Cost of Workers' Compensation Rates to Maine Employers."

Amend the Bill in section 5 in that part designated "\$255." by inserting after the first sentence the following:  
← 'The State, its instrumentalities and political subdivisions shall, if they elect to be policyholders, be subject to the same obligations as other policyholders.'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 by striking out all of that part designated "\$270." and inserting in its place the following:  
'\$270. Board

The board shall be composed of 5 members who shall be different policyholders or representatives thereof. Initial appointments shall be made by the Governor as follows. One shall be appointed for a term of one year, one for a term of 2 years, one for a term of 3 years, one for a term of 4 years/ <sup>and</sup> one for a term of 5 years. Thereafter, members shall be appointed by the Governor for terms of 5 years each. They shall serve until their successors are appointed and have qualified. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term. With the exception of appointments in the first instance, members shall have been policyholders in the fund for one year prior to appointment and must continue in such status during the period of membership.'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 by striking out all of that part designated "\$286."

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are:

1. To require that if the State becomes a policyholder it will be treated as any other policyholder;
2. <sup>To</sup> ensure that the board is made up exclusively of policyholders and eliminate any conflicts of interest; and
3. To remove the premium tax for the State.

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