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L.D. 519

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
111TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 164,
L.D. 519, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify the Definition of
Chiropractic."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the first
line after the enacting clause (page 1, line 22 of
L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §451, is repealed and the fol-
lowing enacted in its place:'

Further amend the bill in that part designated
"§451." in subsection 2, (page 2, line 2 in L.D.) by
striking out the underlined word "primary"

Further amend the bill in that part designated
"§451." in subsection 3, (page 2, line 8 in L.D.) by
inserting after the underlined word "therapeutic" the
underlined punctuation and word ', adjustive'

Further amend the bill by adding before the
Statement of Fact the following:

'Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §554 is repealed and the fol-
lowing enacted in its place:

§554. Display of certificate; rights

When the board grants to a person the certificate
mentioned in section 552, the certificate shall des-
ignate the holder as a doctor of chiropractic or chi-
ropractor and shall be publicly displayed at the
person's principal place of business so long as that
person shall continue to practice chiropractic for
gain or hire. The certificate shall entitle the
person to whom it is granted to practice chiropractic

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1 in any county in this State, in all of its branches,
 2 but it shall not authorize its holder to practice
 3 obstetrics so far as the same relates to parturition,
 4 nor to administer drugs nor perform surgical opera-
 5 tions with the use of instruments, except as now
 6 allowed by statute. Nothing in this section may be
 7 construed to prohibit any legally registered doctor
 8 of chiropractic in this State from practicing surgery
 9 after having passed a satisfactory examination
 10 therein before the State Board of Registration in
 11 Medicine.'

12 STATEMENT OF FACT

13 This amendment removes a conflict between 2 sec-
 14 tions in the chiropractor license law, and conforms
 15 parts of the bill's language to more nearly reflect
 16 the current statute. Under this version, the scope
 17 of practice of chiropractors would more clearly be
 18 circumscribed by the definitions in section 451.
 19 Apparently conflicting language in section 554 would
 20 be removed as unnecessary and confusing.

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