

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 721

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7 H.P. 573

House of Representatives, February 10, 1983

8 On Motion of Representative Murray of Bangor referred to the
9 Committee on Business Legislation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered
printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Davis of Monmouth.

Cosponsors: Representative Armstrong of Wilton and Representative
11 Beaulieu of Portland.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Limit Access to Confidential
18 Data.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 39 MRSA §23, sub-§10, as enacted by PL 1981, c.
23 484, §7, is repealed and the following enacted in its
24 place.

25 10. Confidentiality of information. All writ-
26 ten, printed or graphic matter or any mechanical or
27 electronic data compilation from which information
28 can be obtained, directly or after translation into a
29 form susceptible of visual or aural comprehension,
30 all information contained in the minutes of trustee
31 meetings and all information relating to individual
32 compensation cases, which a self-insurer is required
33 to file with or make available to the superintendent
34 under this section, section 23-A or regulations

1 adopted in relation thereto, shall be confidential
2 and not constitute public records.

3 STATEMENT OF FACT

4 Current Maine law requires self-insured employers
5 to file detailed information with the Superintendent
6 of Insurance so as to allow the superintendent to
7 monitor an employer's financial ability to
8 self-insure for workers' compensation purposes. Much
9 of this information is of a confidential nature as
10 between competitors and should not be made available
11 simply upon request. In addition, access to such
12 information in regard to specific pending workers'
13 compensation cases, such as case-by-case reserves,
14 will further burden and delay settlement of workers'
15 compensation cases.

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