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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. 814

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7 S.P. 252

In Senate, February 17, 1983

8 On Motion of Senator Carpenter of Aroostook referred to the Committee
9 on Health and Institutional Services. Sent down for concurrence and ordered
10 printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Perkins of Hancock.
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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 Clarify the Rights of Health
18 Care Providers.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 24 MRSA §2906 is enacted to read:

23 §24. Medical malpractice insurance for persons prac-
24 ticing on health care provider's premises.

25 Every health care provider shall have the right
26 to require any licensed physician, nurse or other
27 person practicing or rendering professional services
28 on its premises or through its facilities to maintain
29 in force a policy of medical malpractice insurance.

30 The liability of the health care provider shall
31 not be increased merely by virtue of its requiring
32 medical malpractice insurance.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The purpose of this bill is to clarify that
3 health care providers have the right to require, as a
4 condition of professionals practicing at their facil-
5 ities, that they carry medical malpractice insurance.

6 Also, the bill clarifies that by requiring
7 insurance coverage, the health care provider, by that
8 requirement alone, does not increase its own liabil-
9 ity to patients or others.

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