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	STATE OF MAINE	
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE	
	AN ACT to Adjust the Workers' Compensa- tion Insurance Rates Charged Volunteer Ambulance Companies.	-
	e it enacted by the People of the State of M. ollows:	aine as
to	<pre>Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2303, sub-§1, ¶F is pread:</pre>	enacted
	F. In the case of volunteer emergency as	
	organizations, no rates may be based on	
	tions as to the salaries received by mentions the organizations in their regular emp	
	Rates may only be based on the actual	
	received by those persons in their regula	
	of employment. For purposes of this	
	voluntary emergency assistance organ	izations
	include, but are not limited to, volunted	er ambu-
	lance companies and volunteer fire depar	rtments.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2303, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 132, §1, is amended to read:

2. Nothing in this section shall may be taken to 3 4 prohibit as unreasonable or unfairly discriminatory 5 the establishment of classifications or modifications 6 of classifications or risks based upon size, expense, 7 management, individual experience, purpose of insur-8 ance, location or dispersion of hazard, or any other 9 reasonable considerations, provided such that these 10 classifications and modifications apply to all risks under the same or substantially similar circumstances 11 or conditions, except that in the case of rates for 12 13 workers' compensation insurance, voluntary emergency 14 assistance organizations shall be treated equally.

STATEMENT OF FACT

16 The purpose of this bill is to prevent the dis-17 criminatory treatment by insurance rating organizations of volunteer ambulance companies in Maine. 18 Βv 19 making certain assumptions about volunteers' salaries 20 and the scope of operation of volunteer ambulance 21 companies, workers' compensation insurance rates for 22 some companies have increased by over 1000% in recent 23 This bill prevents rating organizations from vears. 24 making those assumptions in establishing rates and 25 requires volunteer emergency assistance organizations 26 to be treated equally in setting workers' compensa-27 tion rates.

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