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

No. 277

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7 H.P. 236

House of Representatives, January 30, 1985

8 Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered
9 printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Rolde of York.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Amend the Certificate of Need Act.
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19 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
20 follows:

21 22 MRSA §303, sub-§7, as amended by PL 1981, c.
22 705, Pt. V, §5, is further amended to read:

23 7. Health care facility. "Health care facility"
24 means any facility, whether public or private, pre-
25 proprietary or not for profit, required to obtain a cer-
26 tificate of need in accordance with federal laws and
27 regulations under the National Health Planning and
28 Resources Development Act of 1974, or any amendment,
29 and shall include hospitals, psychiatric hospitals,
30 tuberculosis hospitals, skilled nursing facilities,
31 kidney disease treatment centers including free
32 standing hemodialysis units, intermediate care facil-
33 ities, rehabilitation facilities, ambulatory surgical
34 facilities, home health care providers and health
35 maintenance organizations. The term shall not apply
36 to any facility operated by religious groups relying

1 solely on spiritual means through prayer for healing.

2 STATEMENT OF FACT

3 This bill repeals the Certificate of Need Act as
4 it affects hospitals. With enactment of the cost
5 containment legislation in the First Regular Session
6 of the 111th Legislature, creating the Maine Health
7 Care Finance Commission, it is appropriate that this
8 new law and new commission serve as the focus of re-
9 view for all hospital activities.

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