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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
113TH LEGISLATURE
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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to H.P. 632, L.D. 855, Bill, "AN ACT to Enhance the
Productivity of the Workers' Compensation Commis-
sion."

Amend the amendment by striking out everything
after the title and inserting in its place the fol-
lowing:

'Amend the Bill by inserting after the title and
before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
lature do not become effective until 90 days after
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, severe delays exist within the State's
workers' compensation system, due in part to an in-
creased number of cases to be decided by each work-
ers' compensation commissioner; and

Whereas, these delays cause severe problems for
injured workers whose decisions on their cases are
delayed, including financial, emotional and other
problems; and

Whereas, there is an immediate need to alleviate
delay in the workers' compensation system and its ac-
companying human suffering and an immediate need for
an additional workers' compensation commissioner; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
the Constitution of Maine and require the following
legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
therefore,'

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L.D. 855

1 Further amend the bill by inserting before the
2 statement of fact the following:

3 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency
4 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect
5 when approved.'

6 STATEMENT OF FACT

7 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and
8 emergency clause and removes the appropriation, since
9 funding is included in the Part II budget.

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11 (Sen. Pearson)

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