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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RYDELL of Brunswick.
   Cosponsored by Representative PARADIS of Augusta, Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin and Representative RICHARDS of Hampden.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Prevent Discrimination against Podiatrists.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

22 MRSA §1811-A is enacted to read:

§1811-A. **Discrimination against podiatrists**

Hospitals and other institutions licensed under section 1811 may not discriminate against an applicant qualified within the scope of the applicant's license when considering or acting on an application for full staff membership or clinical privileges to practice podiatry. Each applicant must be considered only on the basis of the applicant's training, current competency and ability.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill ensures that all hospitals and other health care institutions licensed in the State do not deny employment or privileges to podiatrists simply because they are podiatrists. This bill requires that each applicant for employment or staff privileges be judged only on the basis of the applicant's training, competency and ability.