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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
THIRD SPECIAL SESSION**

HOUSE AMENDMENT "I" to HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to H.P. 1783,
L.D. 2464, Bill, "An Act to Reform the Workers' Compensation Act
and Workers' Compensation Insurance Laws"

Amend the amendment on page 3 in paragraph B by striking out
all of subparagraph (2) (page 3, lines 29 to 37 in amendment) and
inserting in its place the following:

'(2) If an order or award of compensation or
compensation payment scheme has been entered or the
injury occurred before January 1, 1993, the employer,
insurer or group self-insurer shall petition the board
for an order to reduce or discontinue benefits until
the matter has been finally resolved through the
dispute resolution procedures of this Act, any appeal
proceedings have been completed and an order of
reduction or discontinuance has been entered by the
board. In determining whether to reduce or discontinue
the benefits of an employee injured before January 1,
1993, the board shall use the same criteria that apply
to injuries occurring after January 1, 1993 as set out
in section 214, subsection 1.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment provides that the automatic discontinuance
provision is not retroactive to injuries occurring prior to
January 1, 1993. It also provides that the Workers' Compensation
Board shall use the same criteria in determining whether to
reduce or discontinue benefits in cases involving injuries

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2 occurring prior to January 1, 1993 as the board is required to
use in determining whether to reduce or discontinue benefits in
cases involving injuries occurring after January 1, 1993.

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