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## STATE OF MAINE SENATE 115TH LEGISLATURE THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

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

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Amend the bill in Part A in section 8 in that part designated "<u>\$215.</u>" in subsection 1 in the 2nd paragraph in the 8th line from the end (page 42, line 24 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "months" the following: ', but if the child is continuously enrolled in a full-time post-secondary degree program recognized as such by the Department of Education, compensation continues until the child reaches the age of 23. If the child, upon reaching age 18, is physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, compensation continues for as long as that incapacity continues'

#### FISCAL NOTE

This amendment may reduce the amount of savings resulting 32 from the bill's changes to workers' compensation benefits. The effect on the estimated savings to the State and local units of 34 government as employers can not be estimated at this time.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment allows a dependent child of an employee killed by a work injury to complete a post-secondary degree program before death benefits to that child are stopped. The

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amendment also provides that compensation for a physically or mentally handicapped child continue after that child has reached the age of 18, for as long as that child is incapacitated.

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