

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1995

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No. 839

S.P. 300

In Senate, March 14, 1995

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**An Act to Allow the Workers' Compensation Board to Regulate  
Nonfinancial Aspects of Workers' Compensation Arbitration.**

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Submitted by the Workers' Compensation Board pursuant to Joint Rule 24.  
Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BEGLEY of Lincoln.  
Cosponsored by Representative CHASE of China.

t enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 39-A MRSA §314, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 885,  
4 Pt. A, §8 and affected by §§9 and 11, is amended to read:

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7. **Fee; rules.** The board shall by rule provide for the  
amount of the fee to be paid to the arbitrator by the board and  
8 establish administrative processes to review, adopt and monitor  
arbitration plans.

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### STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill allows the Workers' Compensation Board to adopt  
16 rules to establish administrative processes to review and adopt  
individual arbitration plans and performances. The Attorney  
18 General's office has advised the board that under the current  
law, it has no authority to regulate any issue beyond the amount  
20 of fee to be paid to the arbitrator.