

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 335

H.P. 271

House of Representatives, January 23, 1997

An Act to Prohibit Certain Activities by Insurance Adjusters.

Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath.
Cosponsored by Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland and
Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, McALEVEY of Waterboro, PINKHAM of
Brunswick, VIGUE of Winslow.

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

2 Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §1858 is enacted to read:

4 **§1858. Activities of insurance adjusters**

6 The following requirements govern the activities of
8 insurance adjusters.

10 1. Solicitation. An adjuster may not solicit or otherwise
12 offer adjustment services to any person not insured by the
14 insurer for which the adjuster is providing services for at least
 36 hours after an accident or occurrence as a result of which the
 person might have a potential claim.

16 2. Contract provision. Any contract for services between an
18 adjuster and any person not insured by the insurer for which the
20 adjuster is providing services must contain a provision,
22 prominently printed on the first page of the contract, stating
 that the person contracting with the adjuster has the option to
 rescind the contract within 2 business days after the contract is
 signed.

24 **SUMMARY**

26 This bill prohibits an insurance adjuster from approaching,
28 soliciting or offering services to a person not insured by the
30 insurer for which the adjuster is providing services for at least
32 36 hours after an accident or occurrence for which the person may
 have a potential claim.

34 The bill also requires that a contract between an adjuster
36 and any person not insured by the insurer for which the adjuster
 is providing services contains an option provision for the
 recision of the contract within 2 business days after the
 contract is signed.