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## 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## **SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1998**

Legislative Document

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H.P. 1407

House of Representatives, January 8, 1998

An Act to Provide Representation for Chiropractors on the Board of the Maine Health Data Organization.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative KANE of Saco. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: LOVETT of Scarborough, O'NEIL of Saco, PIEH of Bremen, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

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

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- Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8703, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1997, c. 53, §1, is further amended to read:
- 6 **2. Board of directors.** The organization operates under the supervision of a board of directors, which consists of 16 17 voting members.
- 10 A. The Governor shall appoint 14 15 board members in accordance with the following requirements. Appointments by the Governor are not subject to review or confirmation.
  - (1) Three members must represent consumers. For the purposes of this section, "consumer" means a person who is not affiliated with or employed by a 3rd-party payor, a provider or an association representing those providers or those 3rd-party payors.
  - (2) Two members must represent employers.
    - (3) Two members must represent 3rd-party payors.
    - (4) Seven Eight members must represent providers. provider members must represent hospitals chosen from a list of at least 5 current hospital representatives the Maine Hospital Association. provided by provider members must be physicians or representatives of physicians chosen from a list of at least 5 nominees provided jointly by the Maine Medical Association and the Maine Osteopathic Association. One provider member must be a dentist chosen from a list of at least 3 nominees provided by the Maine Dental Association. One provider member must be a chiropractor chosen from a list provided by a statewide chiropractic association. Two provider members must be representatives of other health care providers, at least one of whom is a current representative of a home health care company.
  - B. The commissioner shall appoint 2 members who are employees of the department to represent the State's interest in maintaining health data and to ensure that information collected is available for determining public health policy.
- 46 C. All appointments must be completed by May 1, 1996.
- Sec. 2. Appointment deadline. The appointment of the additional provider member pursuant to section 1 of this Act must be no later than October 15, 1998.

SUMMARY

This bill places a chiropractor on the Board of the Maine 6 Health Data Organization.