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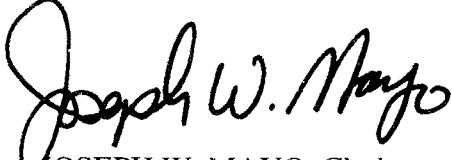
No. 150

H.P. 119

House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

**An Act to Require a Review of Contracts between Long-term Care
Facilities and Consulting Pharmacists.**

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell.
Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and
Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, BRYANT of Dixfield, CAMERON of Rumford,
COLWELL of Gardiner, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Senators: ABROMSON of
Cumberland, LONGLEY of Waldo, TREAT of Kennebec.

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

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Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1812-I is enacted to read:

§1812-I. Consulting pharmacist agreements

The department shall require each nursing home to submit a copy of its contract or other agreement with a consulting pharmacist entered into in compliance with the requirements of 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 483.60. When reviewing the license of a nursing home, the department shall review the contract or other agreement to ensure that the arrangement between the nursing home and the pharmacist does not violate state or federal law, including 42 United States Code, Section 1320a-7b (b).

SUMMARY

This bill requires a nursing home to submit a copy of its agreement with a consulting pharmacist and requires the Department of Human Services to review the agreement to ensure that the agreement does not violate state or federal law.