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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 163, L.D. 225, Bill, "An
20 Act to Amend the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 as it
22 Relates to Compensation for Amputation of a Body Part"

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2-A in the 2nd
24 line (page 1, line 6 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
"1993" and inserting in its place the following: '2000'

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Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 4 in the
28 2nd line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by striking out the
following: "1993" and inserting in its place the following:
30 '2000'

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Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 2.

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Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
summary the following:

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FISCAL NOTE

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The requirement that employers pay a lump sum benefit in
42 addition to weekly benefits to workers whose injuries resulted in
the amputation of a body part is not expected to have any
44 significant impact on the rates paid by state departments and
agencies for workers' compensation benefits.

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The Workers' Compensation Board will incur some minor
48 additional costs to handle a minimal number of new cases within
their dispute resolution process. These costs can be absorbed
within the board's existing budgeted resources.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment removes the provision of the bill providing for retroactive application of the proposed changes to the Maine Workers' Compensation Act and provides that the proposed changes to the Maine Workers' Compensation Act apply to injuries occurring on or after January 1, 2000. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.