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119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

An Act to Exempt Free Clinics from Payment of Pharmaceutical Registration Fees.

Reference to the Committee on Business and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator PINGREE of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford and
Senators: LaFOUNTAIN of York, President LAWRENCE of York.

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §13702, sub-§10, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is amended to read:

A. Any pharmacy located in a retail store, mail order business, free clinic or rural health center with facilities located in this State which is engaged in dispensing, delivering or distributing prescription drugs; or

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §13702, sub-§10-A is enacted to read:

10-A. Free clinic. "Free clinic" means an incorporated nonprofit health facility that provides health care to people at no charge.

Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §13723, sub-§11 is enacted to read:

11. Exemption. A free clinic is exempt from all fees required under this chapter.

Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §13751, sub-§2, ¶¶C and D, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, are amended to read:

C. Wholesale drug outlet; or

D. Rural health center.; or

Sec. 5. 32 MRSA §13751, sub-§2, ¶E is enacted to read:

E. Free clinic.

SUMMARY

This bill amends the Maine Pharmacy Act by including a free clinic in the definition for drug outlet. The bill also exempts free clinics from registration fees currently required under the Maine Pharmacy Act.