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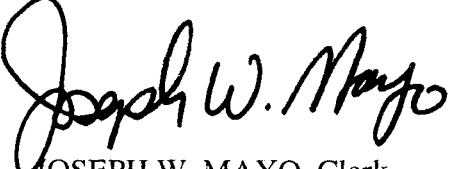
No. 1017

H.P. 727

House of Representatives, February 9, 1999

**An Act to Ensure That Funds Received from Penalties Due to Lack of
Workers' Compensation Coverage Go to the Workers' Compensation
Board.**

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan.
Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and
Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, CLARK of Millinocket, COTE of Lewiston,
GOODWIN of Pembroke, MATTHEWS of Winslow, O'NEAL of Limestone, SAMSON of
Jay, TRACY of Rome.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 39-A MRSA §154, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 885,
4 Pt. A, §8 and affected by §§9 to 11, is amended to read:

6 **1. Use of fund.** All money credited to the Workers'
8 Compensation Board Administrative Fund must be used to support
10 the activities of the board and for no other purpose. The fund
12 may be used to reimburse an employee for mileage incurred in
14 travel to undergo a medical examination required by an employer
16 or the employer's insurer. Any balance remaining continues from
18 year to year as a fund available for the purposes set out in this
20 section and for no other purpose.

22 **Sec. 2. 39-A MRSA §324, sub-§3, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 1991, c.
24 885, Pt. A, §8 and affected by §§9 to 11, is amended to read:

26 **B.** The employer is liable to pay a civil penalty of up to
28 \$10,000, payable to the ~~Employment--Rehabilitation--Fund~~
30 Workers' Compensation Administrative Fund created in section
32 154.

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SUMMARY

 This bill provides that penalties paid by employers for
failure to secure workers' compensation coverage as required by
law must be paid to the Workers' Compensation Board
Administrative Fund. Amounts paid to the fund from this source
must be used to reimburse an employee for mileage incurred to
undergo a medical examination required by an employer or the
employer's insurer.