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MAJORITY
BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
120TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1227, L.D. 1674, Bill, "An Act to Allow Boards of Professions to Grant Hardship Waivers"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Allow Boards of Professions to Grant Hardship Deferments'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§59-B.~~" in the first line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Waiver" and inserting in its place the following: 'Deferment'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§59-B.~~" in the first paragraph in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 1, lines 8 and 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "a serious illness or death in the person's family" and inserting in its place the following: 'an undue hardship'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§59-B.~~" in the first paragraph in the 4th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "shall" and inserting in its place the following: 'may'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§59-B.~~" in the 5th line (page 1, line 11 in L.D.) by striking

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2 out the following: "waiver" and inserting in its place the following: 'deferment'

4 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated
6 "§59-B." in the 5th line (page 1, line 11 in L.D.) by inserting
8 after the following: "up the" the following: 'continuing education'

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

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FISCAL NOTE

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16 The Department of Professional and Financial Regulation will
18 incur some minor additional costs to adopt rules granting a
20 hardship deferment for a professional who fails to meet
continuing education requirements due to a death or serious
illness in the person's family. These costs can be absorbed
within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

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SUMMARY

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26 This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing
28 Committee on Business and Economic Development. The amendment
allows a licensing authority under the jurisdiction of the
Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to grant
hardship deferments for continuing education requirements. What
30 constitutes an undue hardship is left to the discretion of the
licensing authority. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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