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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
123RD LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 117, L.D. 125, "Resolve, To Expedite a Workers' Compensation Case"

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

Preamble. Whereas, the Workers' Compensation Board issued a decision in the case of Joseph Greenier, Case # 89021459E; and

Whereas, there is reason to believe that Joseph Greenier did not comprehend the complexities of the administrative procedures; and

Whereas, Joseph Greenier was not afforded an advocate in the case; and

Whereas, information relevant to the case was allegedly lost or misplaced and process notification may not have been received; and

Whereas, there may be a genuine dispute as to the facts of the case; and

Whereas, because of the special circumstances of this case, a review is necessary and appropriate; now, therefore, be it:

Sec. 1. Review workers' compensation case. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Workers' Compensation Board shall hold a hearing to review the case of Joseph Greenier, Workers' Compensation Board case #89021459E. After reviewing the case, the board shall report its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over labor matters by January 15, 2009. The joint standing committee may submit legislation relating to the report to the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, directs the Workers' Compensation Board to hold a hearing to review the case of

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- 1 Joseph Greenier in light of the extraordinary circumstances and to report its findings and
- 2 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
- 3 over labor matters by January 15, 2009, which then may submit legislation relating to the
- 4 report to the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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LD 125

LR 161(02)

Resolve, To Expedite a Workers' Compensation Case

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Labor

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Workers' Compensation Board associated with holding the required hearing and submitting the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.