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**An Act To Terminate the Authorization of the Maine Self-Insurance
Guarantee Association To Serve as a Statistical Advisory
Organization for Self-insurers**

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on February 18, 2011. Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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JOSEPH G. CARLETON, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2384-B, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 885, Pt. B, §12
3 and affected by §13, is amended to read:

4 **1. Collection and reporting system.** The statistical advisory organization
5 designated pursuant to section 2382-B, subsection 2 shall develop and file with the
6 superintendent a plan that includes a comprehensive data collection and reporting system
7 for insurers. ~~The superintendent shall designate an organization to collect and report, to~~
8 ~~the extent applicable, the data for self-insurers required by this section.~~ The purpose of
9 the system is to permit the superintendent, in a timely manner, to analyze insurance rates
10 and claims practices of insurers ~~and self-insurers.~~

11 **Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2384-C, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 610, §2, is
12 amended to read:

13 **1. Collection and reporting system.** The superintendent shall adopt rules
14 implementing a data collection system for the purpose of evaluating the costs and
15 operation of the workers' compensation benefit delivery process. The rules must establish
16 reasonable sampling procedures to identify and track a sufficient number of claims to
17 provide reliable information in a cost-effective manner. The superintendent shall, by
18 rule, establish a cost-effective procedure to designate organizations to collect and compile
19 data for insurers ~~and self-insurers~~, except that an insurer able to demonstrate its ability to
20 collect, compile and report data on its own claims is permitted to act as its own statistical
21 organization for the purposes of this section. In this section, "statistical organization"
22 includes an insurer acting as its own statistical organization.

23 **Sec. 3. 39-A MRSA §404, sub-§14**, as amended by PL 1993, c. 610, §3, is
24 repealed.

25 **SUMMARY**

26 This bill repeals the authorization of the Maine Self-Insurance Guarantee Association
27 to serve as the statistical advisory organization for self-insurers.