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1 2	L.D. 444 Date: <b>5/13/2013</b> (Filing No. S- <b>75</b> )
3	LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
4	Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate.
5	STATE OF MAINE
6	SENATE
7	126TH LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " <b>A</b> " to S.P. 176, L.D. 444, Bill, "An Act To Improve Workers' Compensation Coverage for All Injured Workers"
11	Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:
12 13 14	'Resolve, Directing the Workers' Compensation Board To Study Improving Protections for Injured Workers Whose Employers Have Wrongfully Not Secured Workers' Compensation Payments'
15	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:
16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	'Sec. 1. Workers' Compensation Board to study and report. Resolved: That the Workers' Compensation Board shall conduct a study on the issue of improving protections for injured workers whose employers have wrongfully not secured workers' compensation payments, including the prevalence of the problem and potential funding sources to address the problem, and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development by January 30, 2014 with recommendations and draft implementing legislation to address this problem; and be it further
24 25 26 27	Sec. 2. Authority to report out legislation. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature related to the report of the Workers' Compensation Board submitted pursuant to section 1.
28	SUMMARY
29 30 31 32 33 34	This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that directs the Workers' Compensation Board to study the issue of improving protections for injured workers whose employers have wrongfully not secured workers' compensation payments and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development with recommendations and draft implementing legislation to address this problem by January 30, 2014. The Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce,

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# **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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Research and Economic Development has authority to report out a bill related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

#### FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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## **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



### **126th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

#### LD 444

#### LR 1474(02)

An Act To Improve Workers' Compensation Coverage for All Injured Workers

#### Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A'' (5-75) Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development Fiscal Note Required: Yes

#### **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

Additional costs to the Workers' Compensation Board to conduct the required study and submit the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.