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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
128TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 837, L.D. 1200, Bill, "An Act Relating to the Licensure of Physicians and Surgeons"

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

**'An Act Relating to the Licensure of Physicians'**

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §2581**, as amended by PL 2001, c. 492, §6, is further amended by adding after the 2nd paragraph a new paragraph to read:

The board may not require an applicant for initial licensure or license renewal as an osteopathic physician under this chapter to obtain certification from a specialty medical board or to obtain osteopathic continuous certification as a condition of licensure. For the purposes of this section, "osteopathic continuous certification" means a program that requires an osteopathic physician to engage in periodic examination, self-assessment, peer evaluation or other activities to maintain certification from a specialty medical board.'

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 2 by striking out all of the last paragraph (page 2, lines 1 to 6 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'The board may not require an applicant for initial licensure or license renewal as a physician under this chapter to obtain certification from a specialty medical board or to obtain a maintenance of certification as a condition of licensure. For the purposes of this subsection, "maintenance of certification" means a program that requires a physician to engage in periodic examination, self-assessment, peer evaluation or other activities to maintain certification from a specialty medical board.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the unanimous report of the committee, prohibits the Board of Osteopathic Licensure and the Board of Licensure in Medicine from requiring a physician to obtain osteopathic continuous certification or maintenance of certification

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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1 from a specialty medical board as a condition of initial licensure or license renewal. This  
2 amendment removes the provisions of the bill related to physician reimbursement,  
3 physician employment and hospital admitting privileges.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**