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H.P. 378

House of Representatives, February 14, 2023

An Act to Reduce the Shortage of Municipal Emergency Medical Services Personnel by Removing Certain Vaccination Requirements

Reference to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT

Clerk

Presented by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, HENDERSON of Rumford,
LEE of Auburn, POIRIER of Skowhegan, RUSSELL of Verona Island, WILLIAMS of Bar
Harbor, Senator: KEIM of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §85, sub-§9** is enacted to read:

3 **9. COVID-19 vaccination.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, an
4 emergency medical services person licensed under this chapter employed by or serving as
5 a volunteer for a municipality may respond and provide treatment within the scope of the
6 person's license without having been vaccinated against the virus that causes coronavirus
7 disease 2019, also known as COVID-19, or the influenza virus.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill allows emergency medical services persons to provide treatment within the
10 scope of their licenses without having been vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus or the
11 influenza virus.