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S.P. 767

In Senate, May 4, 2023

An Act to Index Workers' Compensation Benefits to the Rate of Inflation

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Labor and Housing suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator NANGLE of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Senator: TIPPING of Penobscot, Representatives: MALON of Biddeford, ROEDER of Bangor, SKOLD of Portland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 39-A MRSA §205, sub-§10** is enacted to read:

3 **10. Inflation adjustment.** Compensation under this Act must be annually increased
4 to account for inflation by the amount of increase in the Consumer Price Index compiled
5 by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the most recent
6 12-month period for which data are available.

7 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill requires benefits awarded under the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of
9 1992 to be annually increased to account for inflation by the amount of increase in the
10 Consumer Price Index compiled by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of
11 Labor Statistics.