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Legislative Document

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H. P. 1324

House of Representatives, February 8, 1939.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and sent up for concurrence. 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cowan of Portland.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

**AN ACT Providing That an Injured Employee May Select His Own
Physician or Surgeon.**

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

R. S., c. 55, § 9, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 9 of chapter 55 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘During the first 30 days after an injury aforesaid the employee shall be entitled to reasonable and proper medical, surgical and hospital services, nursing, medicines and mechanical surgical aids when they are needed, by a physician or surgeon and in a hospital of his own selection, provided that said physician or surgeon is a doctor of medicine duly qualified to practice medicine or surgery in the state in which he is resident, and that the hospital has a rating not lower than one recommended to him by his employer. The amount of such services and aids shall not exceed \$100 unless a longer period or a greater sum is allowed by the commission, which in its discretion it may allow when the nature of the injury or the process of recovery requires it.’