

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
Business Legislation

BILL SUMMARY



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(INSURANCE. Miscellaneous Insurance Bills, continued)

<u>LD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
1089	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LICENSING PROVISIONS OF THE MAINE INSURANCE CODE AND TO REQUIRE FILING FEES FOR FRATERNAL BENEFIT ORGANIZATIONS	(DBR Bill) POULIOT RACINE PERKINS, A STEVENS	OTPNB (1654)

SUMMARY: Requires licensing of in-house adjusters; requires divestiture of insurance interests by person whose license has been pulled; establishes terms for licenses for brokers, consultants, adjusters and agents; permits superintendent to revoke or suspend individuals' licenses without hearing under provisions in APA; removes licensure requirement for insurance consultant of experience as broker or agent, allowing substitution of other experience; allow fees to be charged for form filings of Fraternal Benefit Organizations as for others.

1178	AN ACT TO ALLOW DOMESTIC ASSESSMENT MUTUAL COMPANIES TO APPOINT AGENTS	MITCHELL, J CLARK, N DILLENBACK WEBSTER	(OTPA) PL 1983, c.298
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SUMMARY: Allows issuance of limited licenses without examination for directors of domestic mutual assessment insurance companies.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-180): Corrects references to read "domestic mutual assessment"; clarifies limited licensure scope to fire insurance sold by the company; removes exam exemption, so that superintendent may require limited examination. (ADOPTED)

1227	AN ACT RELATING TO MAL-PRACTICE INSURANCE IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE (EMERGENCY)	MACEACHERN PEARSON	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: Resurrects the Joint Underwriting Association for medical malpractice insurance.

1355	AN ACT TO PERMIT THE PUBLIC ADVOCATE TO PARTICIPATE IN INSURANCE RATE FILINGS (After Deadline)	MITCHELL, E DIAMOND, J CHARETTE ROLDE	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: Extends jurisdiction of Public Advocate, established under public utilities law, to participation in any insurance rate filing; establishes broad powers, including hiring of experts; funded by insurance premium surtax.

CROSS-REFERENCE: LD 1308, under Workers' Compensation Insurance & Self-Insurance.