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LD 1128 An Act to Modernize the Formulary for Naturopathic Doctors

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 150 corrects an inconsistency in the membership of the formulary subcommittee of the Board of Complementary Health Care Providers by removing an outdated reference to a pharmacist member and requires that the formulary subcommittee must consult with pharmacist members of the Maine Board of Pharmacy and recommend an updated formulary related to the prescriptive authority of naturopathic doctors to the board.

The law requires that, after review of the updated formulary recommended by the formulary subcommittee, the Board of Complementary Health Care Providers must adopt the rule designating the formulary no later than January 1, 2026. The law also authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services to report out a bill relating to the prescriptive authority of naturopathic doctors to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

Public Law 2025, chapter 150 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 30, 2025.

LD 1166 An Act to Change the Professional Title and Identification of Physician Assistants to Physician Associates

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 316 changes the professional title and identification of physician assistants to physician associates, with no change to the scope of practice of those professionals. The law also provides that those licensed as physician assistants before the effective date of the law are not required to become relicensed with the title of physician associate until the time for renewal of their license.

LD 1195 An Act to Amend the Provisions of the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 Governing Requirements for Self-insurers

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 53 makes the following changes to the provisions of the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 that govern self-insurers.

1. It removes the confidence level requirements for letters of credit for self-insureds.
2. It clarifies the notice period for nonrenewal of an irrevocable standby letter of credit.
3. It changes the requirements for when a draft on a letter of credit must be honored.
4. It clarifies how a group self-insurer may secure its obligations to the confidence level required.