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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in the membership of the formulary subcommittee of the Board of Complementary Health Care Providers by removing an outdated reference to a pharmacist member and requires that the formulary subcommittee must consult with pharmacist members of the Maine Board of Pharmacy and recommend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.

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- 5. It corrects the use of the term "out-of-state insurer" to "out-of-state self-insurer."
- 6. It corrects an error related to group self-insurers.
- 7. It corrects a reference to Lloyd's of London.
- 8. It adds a requirement that the Superintendent of Insurance notify the Workers' Compensation Board if an authorization for self-insurance is terminated or suspended.

LD 1276 An Act to Align Intrastate Commercial Motor Vehicle Insurance Requirements with Federal Standards

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 107 establishes a minimum insurance requirement of \$750,000 for intrastate commercial motor vehicles to bring state requirements in line with federal financial responsibility requirements. This minimum insurance requirement for commercial motor vehicles applies to insurance policies issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026.

LD 1290 An Act to Update the Laws Regarding Athletic Trainers

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 211 amends the laws governing the licensing and certification of athletic trainers to update references to students and trainees and national trade associations, extend the length of time that out-of-state trainers with visiting sports teams may provide athletic training services to 14 days and eliminate temporary licensing.

LD 1310 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Insurance Coverage of Preventive and Primary Health Services

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2025, chapter 213 amends the laws governing parity in cost sharing for primary care and behavioral health office visits to provide that those laws do not apply to group health plans, other than small group health plans, that have no deductible, no coinsurance and out-of-pocket limits that meet the applicable federal requirements.