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An Act Relating to Health Care Provider Liability Claims Reports

Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Reference to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BECK of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin and

Representative: MONAGHAN-DERRIG of Cape Elizabeth, Senator: WHITTEMORE of

Somerset.

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

Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2605, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 492, §3, is amended to read:

§2605. Report to board or licensing authority

 The superintendent shall, within 30 days of their receipt, submit to the appropriate board or other state licensing authority a copy or summary of reports received pursuant to section 2601 or section 2602.

7 SUMMARY

The purpose of this bill is to correct an inconsistency within the Maine Health Security Act. Currently the Superintendent of Insurance is required to forward to the Board of Licensure in Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Licensure information received from professional liability insurers concerning claims against those they insure who are licensed by those boards. Professional liability insurers are also required to provide the superintendent information concerning claims against health care providers, but the superintendent is not authorized to provide information on those claims to the state agencies that license those health care providers. This bill gives authority to the superintendent to submit these reports to the appropriate licensing authority.