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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to S.P. 175, L.D. 443, Bill, “An Act To Amend the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 To Provide Benefits to Seriously Injured Workers”

Amend the amendment in section 2 by striking out all of paragraph F (page 1, lines 29 to 35 in amendment) and inserting the following:

F. If the employee is not working and has performed a work search sufficient for the receipt of unemployment benefits as required by the Department of Labor, a rebuttable presumption is created that the employee is entitled to 100% partial incapacity benefits under section 213. This presumption may be rebutted only by a showing that the employee has received a bona fide offer of reasonable employment and refused that offer without good and reasonable cause.'

SUMMARY

This amendment changes the benefits a person is presumed to be entitled to from an amount equal to the amount permitted for total incapacity to the amount permitted for partial incapacity, as long as the person has performed a work search sufficient to qualify for unemployment benefits.

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