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## **An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Maine Health Data Organization Relating to Retail Pharmacies**

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8702, sub-§4**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 466, Pt. B, §18, is further amended to read:

**4. Health care facility.** "Health care facility" means a public or private, proprietary or not-for-profit entity or institution providing health services, including, but not limited to, a radiological facility licensed under chapter 160, a health care facility licensed under chapter 405, an independent radiological service center, a federally qualified health center certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, a rural health clinic or rehabilitation agency certified or otherwise approved by the Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services within the Department of Health and Human Services, a home health care provider licensed under chapter 419, an assisted living program or a residential care facility licensed under chapter 1663, a hospice provider licensed under chapter 1681, ~~a retail store drug outlet licensed under Title 32, chapter 117,~~ a state institution as defined under Title 34-B, chapter 1 and a mental health facility licensed under Title 34-B, chapter 1. For the purposes of this chapter, "health care facility" does not include retail pharmacies.

**Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §8702, sub-§9**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 653, Pt. A, §2 and affected by §7, is amended to read:

**9. Provider.** "Provider" means a health care facility, health care practitioner, health product manufacturer, or health product vendor ~~or pharmacy~~ but does not include a retail pharmacy.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill removes retail pharmacies from the list of entities funding and reporting to the Maine Health Data Organization.