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## **An Act To Facilitate the Licensing of International Mail Order Prescription Pharmacies by the Maine Board of Pharmacy**

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

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §13702-A, sub-§17**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 402, Pt. DD, §2, is amended to read:

**17. Mail order prescription pharmacy.** "Mail order prescription pharmacy" means an entity located inside or outside the United States that dispenses prescription medications by mail or carrier from a facility not located in this State to a pharmacy or to a patient who resides in this State.

**Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §13721, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 245, §8, is further amended to read:

**2. Reciprocal inspections.** The board may enter into reciprocal inspection agreements with any state or country in which a mail order prescription facility selling drugs to Maine citizens is located.

### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this bill is to facilitate the licensing of international mail order prescription pharmacies by the Maine Board of Pharmacy. This bill:

1. Specifies that, for the purposes of the Maine Pharmacy Act, "mail order prescription pharmacy" includes an entity located outside the United States that dispenses prescription medications by mail or carrier from a facility not located in this State to a pharmacy or to a patient who resides in this State; and
2. Authorizes the Maine Board of Pharmacy to enter into reciprocal inspection agreements with any country in which a mail order prescription facility that sells drugs to Maine citizens is located.