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## **An Act Concerning the Scope of Practice of Cardiovascular Technologists**

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

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §9852, sub-§1-A** is enacted to read:

**1-A. Cardiovascular technologist.** "Cardiovascular technologist" means a health professional who performs diagnostic exams at the request of a licensed physician in invasive cardiology, noninvasive cardiology and peripheral vascular study.

**Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §9854, sub-§3, ¶C**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 166, §1, is further amended to read:

C. A resident physician or a student enrolled in and attending a school or college of medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, dentistry or radiologic technology or an individual who is concurrently obtaining the education and clinical training required by the board by rule who applies ionizing radiation to a human being while under the supervision of a licensed practitioner; or

**Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §9854, sub-§3, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 524, is amended to read:

D. Any person serving in the United States Armed Services or public health service or employed by the ~~Veterans' Administration~~United States Department of Veterans Affairs or other federal agency performing ~~his~~that person's official duties, ~~provided that as long as~~ the duties are limited to that service or employment; or

**Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §9854, sub-§3, ¶E** is enacted to read:

E. An individual holding a degree in cardiovascular technology from an accredited institution approved by the board who is working under the supervision of a licensed physician as a cardiovascular technologist.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill exempts an individual holding a degree in cardiovascular technology from an accredited institution approved by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners who is working under the supervision of a licensed physician as a cardiovascular technologist from the licensing requirements for radiographers, nuclear medicine technologists and radiation therapists.