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An Act To Enable the Maine Employers' Mutual Insurance Company To Better Serve Maine Employers by Eliminating the High-risk Program

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §3714, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 350, §10, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §3714, sub-§§8 and 9 are enacted to read:

8. Filing of retrospective rating plans. The board may file with the superintendent retrospective rating plans that, after hearing, may be imposed on an employer with a demonstrated record of repeated serious violations of workplace health and safety rules and regulations such as those adopted under Title 26, chapter 6 or 29 United States Code, Chapter 15, whichever is applicable.

9. Availability of retrospective rating plans. The board shall develop and file with the superintendent and, if not disapproved by the superintendent, make available to policyholders on a voluntary basis retrospective rating plans.

SUMMARY

This bill eliminates the requirement that the Maine Employers' Mutual Insurance Company maintain a high-risk program. The bill retains the provisions that were contained in the high-risk program language regarding the filing of retrospective rating plans and making retrospective rating plans available to policyholders.