



Maine Medical Association

TESTIMONY OF THE MAINE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Neither For Nor Against

LD 805 Resolve, to Direct the Board of Licensure in Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Licensure to Conduct a Study Regarding the Feasibility of Combining Those Boards

Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance, and Financial Services
Room 220, Cross Building, Augusta, Maine
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Good Afternoon, Senator Bailey, Representative Mathieson, and Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance, and Financial Services. My name is Anne Sedlack, and I am the Director of Advocacy at the Maine Medical Association. I am submitting this testimony, neither for nor against LD 805 Resolve, to Direct the Board of Licensure in Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Licensure to Conduct a Study Regarding the Feasibility of Combining Those Boards.

The Maine Medical Association (MMA) is a professional organization representing more than 4,000 physicians, residents, and medical students in Maine. MMA's mission is to support Maine physicians, advance the quality of medicine in Maine, and promote the health of all Maine people.

The Maine Medical Association is testifying neither for nor against this bill but wishes to emphasize the importance of our engagement throughout this process. As an organization representing over 4,000 of Maine's allopathic and osteopathic physicians, we recognize such a merger's potential benefits and challenges. As such, we request that MMA be included in the discussion because our experience and insights can contribute to a thoughtful, balanced approach to determine whether or not the merger of the Boards would be in the public's best interest.

We look forward to participating in this important conversation and appreciate you considering the thoughts of Maine's physicians about LD 805.

Thank you,

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