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## An Act To Terminate the Authorization of the Maine Self-Insurance Guarantee Association To Serve as a Statistical Advisory Organization for Self-insurers

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

**Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2384-B, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 885, Pt. B, §12 and affected by §13, is amended to read:

**1. Collection and reporting system.** The statistical advisory organization designated pursuant to section 2382B, subsection 2 shall develop and file with the superintendent a plan that includes a comprehensive data collection and reporting system for insurers. The superintendent shall designate an organization to collect and report, to the extent applicable, the data for self-insurers required by this section. The purpose of the system is to permit the superintendent, in a timely manner, to analyze insurance rates and claims practices of insurers and self-insurers.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2384-C, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 610, §2, is amended to read:

1. Collection and reporting system. The superintendent shall adopt rules implementing a data collection system for the purpose of evaluating the costs and operation of the workers' compensation benefit delivery process. The rules must establish reasonable sampling procedures to identify and track a sufficient number of claims to provide reliable information in a cost-effective manner. The superintendent shall, by rule, establish a cost-effective procedure to designate organizations to collect and compile data for insurers and self-insurers, except that an insurer able to demonstrate its ability to collect, compile and report data on its own claims is permitted to act as its own statistical organization for the purposes of this section. In this section, "statistical organization" includes an insurer acting as its own statistical organization.

Sec. 3. 39-A MRSA §404, sub-§14, as amended by PL 1993, c. 610, §3, is repealed.

## SUMMARY

This bill repeals the authorization of the Maine Self-Insurance Guarantee Association to serve as the statistical advisory organization for self-insurers.