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### **An Act To Require Coverage for Female Firefighters Facing Reproductive System Cancer**

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ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth.  
Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and  
Representatives: GROHOSKI of Ellsworth, SACHS of Freeport, SUPICA of Bangor, Senator:  
BREEN of Cumberland.

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

2           **Sec. 1. 39-A MRSA §328-B, sub-§1, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 408, §1, is  
3 amended to read:

4           A. "Cancer" means kidney cancer, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, colon cancer, leukemia,  
5 brain cancer, bladder cancer, multiple myeloma, prostate cancer, testicular cancer ~~or,~~  
6 breast cancer or gynecologic cancer.

7   **SUMMARY**

8           Under the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992, there is a rebuttable  
9 presumption that a firefighter who has contracted kidney cancer, non-Hodgkin's  
10 lymphoma, colon cancer, leukemia, brain cancer, bladder cancer, multiple myeloma,  
11 prostate cancer, testicular cancer or breast cancer has contracted the cancer as a result of  
12 that firefighter's employment. This bill adds gynecologic cancer to the definition of  
13 "cancer" so that there is also a rebuttable presumption under that Act for a firefighter who  
14 contracts gynecologic cancer.