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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 881, L.D. 2296, Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Rule-making Authority of the Commissioner of Human Services in Relation to Health Maintenance Organizations and Other Health Plans"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the emergency clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §42, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Rules on quality oversight of health carriers. Any rule adopted by the department relating to quality oversight of commercial health maintenance organizations, other health plans or any other carriers pursuant to the department's statutory authority under this section and Title 24-A, chapter 56 is a major substantive rule as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A and is subject to legislative review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance matters.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment is the majority report and replaces the bill. It designates that any rules relating to quality oversight of health maintenance organizations and other carriers by the Department of Human Services are major substantive rules subject to legislative review by the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance.