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House of Representatives, March 10, 2015

**An Act To Promote Dental Services for Prenatal and Postpartum
Women**

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BURSTEIN of Lincolnville, FARNSWORTH of Portland,
FECTEAU of Biddeford, GILBERT of Jay, HAMANN of South Portland, HERBIG of Belfast,
HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, Senator: PATRICK of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-F, sub-§1, ¶D**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 159, §1, is
3 further amended to read:

4 D. Treatment necessary to relieve pain, eliminate infection or prevent imminent
5 tooth loss; ~~and~~

6 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3174-F, sub-§1, ¶F**, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 159, §2, is
7 amended to read:

8 F. Other dental services, including full and partial dentures, medically necessary to
9 correct or ameliorate an underlying medical condition, if the department determines
10 that provision of those services will be cost-effective in comparison to the provision
11 of other covered medical services for the treatment of that condition; and

12 **Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §3174-F, sub-§1, ¶G** is enacted to read:

13 G. Dental services including diagnostic, preventive and restorative services to
14 pregnant women and for one year after delivery to postpartum women.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill provides MaineCare coverage for dental services including diagnostic,
17 preventive and restorative services to pregnant women and postpartum women 21 years
18 of age and older.