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House of Representatives, February 11, 2025

An Act to Support Healthy Weight by Providing MaineCare Coverage for Certain Weight Loss Medications

Received by the Clerk of the House on February 6, 2025. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, EATON of Deer Isle, ROBERTS of South Berwick, SALISBURY of Westbrook, TERRY of Gorham.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-PPP** is enacted to read:

3 **§3174-PPP. Reimbursement for certain weight loss medications**

4 The department shall provide reimbursement under the MaineCare program for
5 glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists that are approved by the federal Food and Drug
6 Administration for the treatment of obesity. The department shall restrict reimbursement
7 under the MaineCare program of glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists to medications
8 prescribed by a primary care provider or a bariatric specialist and shall require a prior
9 authorization of the medication.

10 **SUMMARY**

11 This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide
12 reimbursement under the MaineCare program for glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists
13 that are approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of obesity.
14 The department must restrict reimbursement to medications prescribed by a primary care
15 provider or a bariatric specialist and must require a prior authorization of the medication.