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History and Final Disposition

LD 1 / SP0029

Original Title: An Act To Establish the COVID-19 Patient Bill of Rights. New Title: An Act To Establish the COVID-19 Patient Bill of Rights and To Amend the Governor's Emergency Powers. Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services. Public Hearing 02/23/21. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 03/11/21. Amended by: CA S-16, SC/CA (Changed Title) S-22. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Unsigned 03/25/21, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 28.

Original Bill

[LD 1 \(130th Legis. 2021\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 1 / PL 2021, c. 28](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

- Master file available on request—please include citation: cf130-LD-0001.pdf

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(HCIFS\) \(02/23/2021\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(HCIFS\) \(03/02/2021\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(HCIFS\) \(03/04/2021\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment HA/CA \(H-0035\) \(LD 1 2021\)](#)

[Amendment CA \(S-0016\) \(LD 1 2021\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-0020\) \(LD 1 2021\)](#)

[Amendment CB \(S-0017\) \(LD 1 2021\)](#)

[Amendment SB/CA \(S-0021\) \(LD 1 2021\)](#)

[Amendment SC/CA \(S-0022\) \(LD 1 2021\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[SENATE, March 10, 2021 \(S-81-184\)](#)

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[SENATE, March 11, 2021 \(S-185-257\)](#)

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[SENATE, March 11, 2021 \(S-185-257\)](#)

p. S-257 (Amendment(s) S-22, S-16)

[HOUSE, March 30, 2021 \(H-143-199\)](#)

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News Articles

Senate Pres Jackson lays out strategy to achieve universal health care (Mike Tipping) (Machias Valley News Observer, 2/10/2021, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/MVNO 210210F.pdf)

Maine Democratic leaders pitch COVID-19 Patient Bill of Rights (Eric Russell) (Portland Press Herald, 2/24/2021, p. B1, B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/PPH 210224E.pdf)

Lawmakers pass bill requiring Maine insurers to cover COVID-19 testing costs (Caitlin Andrews) (Bangor Daily News, 3/13/2021, p. B1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/BDN 210313E.pdf)

The COVID-19 Patients' Bill of Rights (Jim Dill) (Penobscot Times, 2/18/2021, p. 2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/Clip21083.pdf)

Patient Bill of Rights is key to health and economic recovery (Troy Jackson) (Houlton Pioneer Times, 3/3/2021, p. 8, 9) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/Houlton Pioneer Times 210303C.pdf)

New law to eliminate financial COVID-19 barriers in Maine (Associated Press) (Bangor Daily News, 3/29/2021, p. B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/BDN 210328E.pdf)

Maine Democratic leaders- Mainers deserve a COVID-19 Patient Bill of Rights (Troy Jackson and Ryan Fecteau) (Portland Press Herald, 1/14/2021, p. A11) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD00xx/nc130-LD-0001/PPH 210114E.pdf)

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