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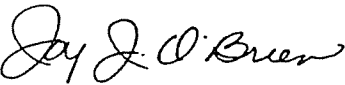
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No. 341

S.P. 184

In Senate, February 22, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance suggested and ordered printed.


JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GILL of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative RYDELL of Brunswick, Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin and Representative HIGGINS of Scarborough.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

An Act to Curtail Any Expansion or New Mandated Health Insurance Programs Until an Assessment Has Been Made of Current Situation.



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

3 **24 MRSA §2325-B, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 480, §3,**
5 **is amended to read:**

7 **4. Commission responsibilities.** This commission shall meet
9 3 times annually to develop, with the bureau, a system and
11 program of data collection to assess the impact of mandated
benefits, including costs to employers and insurers, impact of
treatment, cost savings in the health care system, number of
providers and other data as may be appropriate.

13 The commission shall study mandated benefits in the context of
15 alternative delivery systems. The commission shall develop a
plan to ensure that no expansion of mandated health insurance
benefits occurs until the study is complete.

17 The Mandated Benefits Advisory Commission shall also advise and
19 assist the Bureau of Insurance on matters relating to mandated
insurance benefits regulations.

21 The commission shall report on its activities to the joint
23 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
25 insurance during the first regular session of each Legislature.

27 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

29 The purpose of this bill is to require the Mandated Benefits
31 Advisory Commission to ensure that mandated health insurance
benefits are not expanded until its study is complete.