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22 G. Laboratory services performing health screening tests as defined and regulated by rule adopted by the department and 24 Services exempted under this paragraph 26 include, but are not limited to, the performance of 28 Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2030, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, 30 32 34 1. Request from authorized person. Except as otherwise provided, a medical laboratory shall examine specimens only at the request of a licensed physician or other person authorized by 36 3.8 2. Exceptions. Notwithstanding this section, a medical 4() laboratory may examine specimens without a physician referral for a limited number of laboratory services to be determined by rules 42 adopted by the department and the commission. Those services include testing for: 44 A. Gluçose for patients who have been previously diagnosed 46 as having diabetes;

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4	B. Pregnancy;
4	C. Colon cancer; and
6	D. Cholesterol.
8	3. Testing without referral. This section does not require any medical laboratory to perform laboratory services without a
10	physician referral.'
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	STATEMENT OF FACT
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	The purpose of the amendment is to expand the current list
16	of exempt tests to include colon cancer screening. In addition,
	the current requirement of physician referral would be waived for
18	glucose testing for diabetics, pregnancy testing, tests for colon
	cancer and cholesterol. Medical laboratories licensed by the
20	Maine Medical Laboratory Act are not required to examine such specimens without a physician referral, but may do so if the
22	procedures of the laboratory allow such testing.

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