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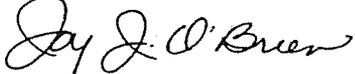
No. 2080

S.P. 816

In Senate, January 4, 1990

Reported by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot for the Committee on Business Legislation pursuant to Joint Rule 19.

Reference to the Committee on Business Legislation suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 19.


JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Require That Certain 3rd-party Prescription Drug Programs Be Subject to the Provisions of the Appropriate Preferred Provider Arrangement Act.



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

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4 Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §13772-A is enacted to read:

6 §13772-A. Preferred provider programs

8 Any 3rd-party prescription program must be administered in
10 accordance with and subject to the limitations of the Nonprofit
12 Service Organizations Preferred Provider Arrangement Act of 1986,
14 Title 24, chapter 19, subchapter II or the Preferred Provider
16 Arrangement Act of 1986, Title 24-A, chapter 32.

18 Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §13773, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is
20 amended to read:

22 §13773. Notice

24 No 3rd-party prescription program may be instituted in this
26 State until the program provider has filed written notice of the
28 provisions of the program ~~has been filed~~ with the Superintendent
of Insurance and given to all pharmacies which are located within
the counties covered by the program at least 30 days prior to the
commencement of the program Board of Commissioners of the
Profession of Pharmacy. In the case of chain or branch
pharmacies, the notice shall be given to the main office or
headquarters. These pharmacies shall have 30 days from the date
of notice to enroll in the program.

30 STATEMENT OF FACT

32 This bill accomplishes the following.

34 1. It requires that 3rd-party prescription drug programs be
36 subject to the provisions of one or the other of 2 preferred
provider arrangement acts;

38 2. It makes clear that the program provider is obliged to
40 file the notice of the provisions of a new 3rd-party prescription
42 drug program and changes the recipient of the filing from the
Superintendent of Insurance to the Board of Commissioners of the
Profession of Pharmacy; and

44 3. It eliminates the provision that all pharmacies must be
notified of a new 3rd-party prescription program.