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8	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 114TH LEGISLATURE
10	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
12	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1708, L.D. 2357, Bill, "An
14	Act to Amend the Laws Applicable to Medicare Supplement Insurance Policies"
16 18	Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:
20	'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
22	as emergencies; and
24	Whereas, this Act authorizes and directs the Superintendent of Insurance to adopt rules to protect purchasers of Medicare
26	supplement insurance policies, as required by federal law; and
28	Whereas, the rule-making process must begin immediately to permit Maine's rules and laws regarding Medicare supplement
30	policies to comply with federal standards; and
32	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
34	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
36	safety; now, therefore,'
38	Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:
40	'Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §5004, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1989, c.
42	27, §4, is repealed.'
44	Further amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3.
46	Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of
48	fact the following:

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " to H.P. 1708, L.D. 2357

Sec. 4. Effective date. Section 2 of this Act takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature.

6 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved, except as 8 otherwise indicated.'

10 Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.
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STATEMENT OF FACT

16 The amendment strikes the sections of the bill that limit the commissions payable on the sale and renewal of Medicare
18 supplement policies. It is intended that the Bureau of Insurance will address this issue in rules, as required to avoid federal
20 preemption of the regulation of Medicare supplement policies.

22 The amendment also repeals the current provision of the Maine Insurance Code limiting commissions on replacement policies 24 to avoid duplication of or inconsistency between the laws and rules adopted by the bureau.

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Finally, the amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to permit the rule-making process to begin as soon as the bill becomes law.

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