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6	STATE OF MAINE
8	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 115TH LEGISLATURE
10	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
12	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{A}$ " to H.P. 1546, L.D. 2179, Bill, "An
14	Act to Authorize More Accessible and Affordable Medical Insurance for Small Employers"
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	Amend the bill in that part designated "§6402." in the first
18	paragraph in the 2nd line (page 1, line 37 in L.D.) by striking out the following: " <u>chapter.</u> " and inserting in its place the
20	following: 'chapter to small employers that have not made
	available group health insurance to their employees for a period
22	of one year prior to the effective date of this chapter.'
24	Further amend the bill in that part designated " <u><b>§6402.</b></u> " by adding at the end the following:
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28	' <u>5. Payment of premium.</u> An employer shall pay at least 50% of the cost of the premium for basic care medical insurance
	coverage for an eligible employee.'
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32	Further amend the bill by adding at the end before the statement of fact the following:
34	' <u>§6408. Repeal</u>
36	This chapter is repealed on July 1, 1994.
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	FISCAL NOTE
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42	The Bureau of Insurance will incur some minor additional administrative costs in approving new health plans. These costs
44	can be absorbed within the bureau's existing budgeted resources.'

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## COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " H" to H.P. 1546, L.D. 2179

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing
Committee on Banking and Insurance. It adds the following
provisions to the bill.

8 1. To be eligible for coverage, an employer can not have provided health insurance for employees during the year preceding
10 the effective date of the Act.

12 2. The employer is required to pay 50% of the cost of the premium for coverage of the employee.

3. The Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24-A, chapter 77, 16 enacted by the bill, is repealed on July 1, 1994.

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