

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)



115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1992

Legislative Document

No. 2282

S.P. 889

In Senate, February 4, 1992

Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WEBSTER of Franklin
Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot and Representative PENDLETON of
Scarborough.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

**An Act to Require Insurance Companies to Honor Assignment of
Medical Benefits for Clients of the Department of Human Services.**



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

2
4 22 MRSA §14, sub-§2-H is enacted to read:

6 2-H. Honoring of assignments. Whenever a health care
8 provider or the department submits claims to an insurer on behalf
10 of a Medicaid or Maine Health Program recipient for whom an
12 assignment of rights has been received, or whose rights have been
14 assigned by the operation of law, the insurer, doing business in
16 the State, must respond within 60 days of receipt of claims by
18 forwarding payment or issuing a notice of denial directly to the
20 submitter of claims.

STATEMENT OF FACT

16 This bill requires insurance companies to respond within 60
18 days to claims submitted by health care providers or the
20 Department of Human Services on behalf of Medicaid or Maine
Health Program recipients.