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No. 1626

S.P. 582

In Senate, January 5, 1994

An Act Concerning Health Insurance.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance 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 McCORMICK of Kennebec.

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

4 Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2327-B is enacted to read:

6 §2327-B. Rating practices in individual insurance

8 Title 24-A, section 2736-C applies to nonprofit hospital
10 corporations, nonprofit medical service corporations and
12 nonprofit health care plans to the extent not inconsistent with
14 this chapter.

16 Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2736-C, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1993,
18 c. 477, Pt. C, §1 and affected by Pt. F, §1, is amended to read:

20 A. A carrier issuing an individual health plan after the
22 effective date of this section must file the carrier's
24 community rate and any formulas and factors used to adjust
26 that rate with the superintendent ~~for informational purposes~~
28 prior to issuance of any individual health plan.

30 Sec. 3. 24-A MRSA §2850, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1991, c.
32 695, §11, is further amended to read:

34 1. **Application.** This section applies to individual and
36 group medical insurance policies contracts subject to chapter 33,
38 except Medicare supplement policies contracts, converted policies
40 contracts issued under section 2809-A and policies contracts
42 designed to cover specific diseases, hospital indemnity or
44 accidental injury only.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill makes 3 technical changes in the insurance laws.
The bill adds a cross-reference, making the community rating of
individual health policies applicable to Blue Cross Blue Shield.
This was inadvertently omitted in Public Law 1993, chapter 477.

The bill repeals the words "for informational purposes" in
the requirement for filing rating formulas and factors. The
rates are regulated, so that filings would not be only for
informational purposes.

2 The bill amends the exclusion and waiting period law,
changing the word "policies" to "contracts."

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10 This document has not yet been reviewed to determine the
need for cross-reference, stylistic and other technical
12 amendments to conform existing law to current drafting standards.