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## 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1995

Legislative Document

No. 910

S.P. 329

In Senate, March 21, 1995

Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Insurance to Develop a Comparable List of Mandatory Insurance Benefits for Health Maintenance Organizations.

Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance suggested and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS

Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec.

	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the
2	Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
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6	Whereas, under current law, mandatory insurance benefits apply only to individual and group health insurance plans; and
8	Whereas, the transition to managed care plans is proceeding rapidly and by 1996 it is estimated that 80% of Maine citizens
10	with health insurance will find themselves in managed care plans; and
12	Whereas, there is an urgent need to also mandate insurance
14	benefits for health maintenance organizations; and
16	Whereas, the study must be initiated immediately so that the list of comparable benefits may be submitted before the end of
18	the legislative session; and
20	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
22	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
24	safety; now, therefore, be it
26	Sec. 1. Bureau of Insurance to develop comparable list of mandatory insurance benefits for health maintenance organizations. Resolved: That
28	the Bureau of Insurance study the existing mandated benefits for individual and group health insurance plans and develop a
30	comparable list of mandates applicable to health maintenance organizations and managed care health plans. The bureau shall
32	report to the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance on or before May 1, 1995. The committee may then report out
34	legislation based on the bureau's report.
36	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve takes effect when approved.
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40	STATEMENT OF FACT
42	This resolve directs the Bureau of Insurance to develop a list of mandated benefits for health maintenance organizations
44	based on the existing mandated benefits for individual and group health insurance plans.