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STATE OF MAINE  
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117TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 976, L.D. 1385, Bill, "An Act to Ensure That Basic Health Care Needs of Women Are Covered in Insurance Policies"

Amend the amendment in section 2 in that part designated "~~§2332-F.~~" in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the last line (page 1, line 47 in amendment) by striking out the following: "policy; and" and inserting in its place the following: 'policy.'

Further amend the amendment in section 2 in that part designated "~~§2332-F.~~" in subsection 1 by inserting after paragraph B the following:

'C. If the examination specified in paragraph B reveals a gynecological condition for which another visit to the physician participating in the plan is medically required and appropriate, or for any gynecological care beyond the annual examination, the patient or examining physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife first shall secure from the patient's primary care physician a referral to the participating physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife from whom such care may be obtained.'

Further amend the amendment in section 2 in that part designated "~~§2332-F.~~" by inserting at the end the following:

'This section does not prohibit a carrier from requiring a physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife participating in the plan to inform a woman's primary care physician prior to each treatment pursuant to this section.'

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2 Further amend the amendment in section 4 in that part  
designated "~~§2850-A.~~" in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the last  
4 line (page 2, line 36 in amendment) by striking out the  
following: "~~policy; and~~" and inserting in its place the  
6 following: 'policy.'

8 Further amend the amendment in section 4 in that part  
designated "~~§2850-A.~~" in subsection 1 by inserting after  
10 paragraph B the following:

12 'C. If the examination specified in paragraph B reveals a  
gynecological condition for which another visit to the  
14 physician participating in the plan is medically required  
and appropriate, or for any gynecological care beyond the  
annual examination, the patient or examining physician,  
16 certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife  
first shall secure from the patient's primary care physician  
18 a referral to the participating physician, certified nurse  
practitioner or certified nurse midwife from whom such care  
20 may be obtained.'

22 Further amend the amendment in section 4 in that part  
designated "~~§2850-A.~~" by inserting at the end the following:

24 'This section does not prohibit a carrier from requiring a  
26 physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse  
midwife participating in the plan to inform a woman's primary  
28 care physician prior to each treatment pursuant to this section.'

30 Further amend the amendment in section 5 in that part  
designated "~~§4241.~~" in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the last  
32 line (page 3, line 18 in amendment) by striking out the  
following: "~~policy; and~~" and inserting in its place the  
34 following: 'policy.'

36 Further amend the amendment in section 5 in that part  
designated "~~§4241.~~" in subsection 1 by inserting after paragraph  
38 B the following:

40 'C. If the examination specified in paragraph B reveals a  
gynecological condition for which another visit to the  
42 physician participating in the plan is medically required  
and appropriate, or for any gynecological care beyond the  
44 annual examination, the patient or examining physician,  
certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife  
46 first shall secure from the patient's primary care physician  
a referral to the participating physician, certified nurse  
48 practitioner or certified nurse midwife from whom such care  
may be obtained.'

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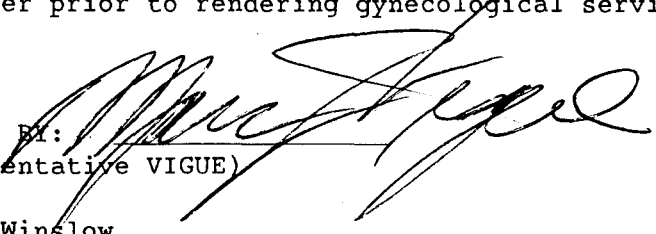
2 Further amend the amendment in section 5 in that part designated "§4241." by inserting at the end the following:

4 'This section does not prohibit a carrier from requiring a  
6 physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse  
8 midwife participating in the plan to inform a woman's primary  
10 care physician prior to each treatment pursuant to this section.'

12 STATEMENT OF FACT

14 This amendment requires the patient or the examining  
16 physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse  
18 midwife to obtain a referral from the patient's primary care  
20 physician if further treatment is needed.

22 This amendment also allows a carrier to require a physician,  
24 certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife to inform  
26 the carrier prior to rendering gynecological services.

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