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Resolve, to Review Health Insurance Benefits Mandated by the State.

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

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative WATERHOUSE of Bridgton. Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representatives: BRUNO of Raymond, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARLETON of Wells, VIGUE of Winslow.

- Sec. 1. Bureau review. Resolved: That the Bureau of Insurance within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation shall review existing state mandated benefits, mandated health insurance coverage and mandated offerings of health benefits specified in section 2 of this resolve in the same manner as required under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24-A, section 2752 for proposed new mandated benefits; and be it further
- Sec. 2. Provisions subject to review. Resolved: That the following mandated benefits are subject to review under this resolve:
- Nonprofit hospitals and medical service organizations, including: the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24, sections 2318, 2318-A, 2319, 2320, 2320-A, 2320-B, 2320-D, 2320-E, 2324, 2325-A, 2329, 2331, 2332-B, 2332-F, 2332-G and 2333;
- 18 2. Individual health insurance: Title 24-A, sections 2741, 2742, 2743, 2743-A, 2744, 2745, 2745-A, 2745-B, 2745-C, 2745-D, 20 2748, 2749-C, 2750 and 2754;
- 22 3. Group health insurance: Title 24-A, sections 2832, 2833, 2834, 2834-A, 2835, 2837, 2837-A, 2837-B, 2837-C, 2837-D, 2837-E, 2840-A, 2842, 2843, 2845, 2846 and 2847; and
- 26 4. Health maintenance organizations: Title 24-A, sections 4229, 4234, 4234-A, 4234-B, 4236, 4237, 4238, 4240, 4241 and 28 4242; and be it further
- Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the Bureau of Insurance shall report its findings to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance matters by January 15, 1998. In its report, the bureau shall specifically identify which of the sections subject to review under this resolve should be repealed, amended or continued.

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This resolve requires the Bureau of Insurance to review existing mandated health insurance benefits in the same manner as it is currently required to review new proposals for mandated coverage. The bureau must report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance matters by January 15, 1998 on the social and financial impacts, the medical efficacy of mandating the benefit and the effects of balancing the social, economic and medical efficacy considerations and determine which of the existing mandates are to be repealed, amended or continued.