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BANKING AND INSURANCE

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1084, L.D. 1521, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Health Insurance"

Amend the bill in Part B by striking out all of sections 1 and 2.

Further amend the bill in Part B in section 3 in that part designated "§2155-A." in the first paragraph in the 3rd line (page 1, line 50 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "or consultants" and inserting in its place the following: 'L consultants or any other persons'

Further amend the bill in Part B in section 5 by striking out all of paragraph D and inserting in its place the following:

'D. Direct or propose to the employer or the person that the person purchase an individual plan in lieu of providing coverage under the replacement policy. The superintendent shall initiate enforcement proceedings when investigation of the circumstances surrounding procurement of an individual policy at the time of replacement of the group policy produces evidence that such procurement was undertaken in violation of this section and section 2155-A.'

Further amend the bill in Part C by striking out all of sections 5 to 7.

Further amend the bill in Part E by striking out all of section 7.

2 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
4 consecutively.

6 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
summary the following:

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10 **FISCAL NOTE**

12 The Bureau of Insurance within the Department of
Professional and Financial Regulation will incur some minor
14 additional costs to approve certain forms pertaining to health
insurance policies. These costs can be absorbed within the
16 bureau's existing budgeted resources.

18 This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in
the court system. The additional workload and administrative
20 costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed can
be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial
22 Department. The collection of additional filing fees may also
increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

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26 **SUMMARY**

28 This amendment removes the rebuttable presumption language
in the bill. It requires the Superintendent of Insurance to
30 initiate enforcement proceedings when investigation of the
circumstances surrounding the procurement of an individual policy
32 at the time of replacement of group coverage produces evidence of
a violation of the antidumping provisions in the bill.

34 The amendment also removes sections of the bill that
36 conflict with provisions contained in the Committee Amendment to
L.D. 1808, "An Act to Make Maine Health Insurance Laws Consistent
38 with Federal Laws." It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.