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H.P. 301

House of Representatives, January 14, 1999

**An Act to Require Insurance Companies to Provide Certain Information
to the Department of Human Services.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BRUNO of Raymond.
Cosponsored by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland and
Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CAMERON of Rumford, KNEELAND of Easton,
MAYO of Bath, PERRY of Bangor, SAXL of Bangor, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senator:
MICHAUD of Penobscot.

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

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3 Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2307-C is enacted to read:

4 §2307-C. Disclosures to Department of Human Services

6 1. Required disclosures. Upon request, a nonprofit
8 hospital and medical service organization shall provide the
10 Department of Human Services the following information related to
12 the total number of persons eligible for health coverage under
14 all policies, contracts and certificates issued by the nonprofit
16 hospital and medical service organization in this State:

18 A. The name of the person eligible for coverage;

20 B. The address of the person eligible for coverage;

22 C. The social security number of the person eligible for
24 coverage;

26 D. The date of birth of the person eligible for coverage;
28 and

30 E. The time period for which the person is eligible for
32 coverage.

34 2. Confidentiality. Except as provided in subsection 1 and
36 Title 24-A, chapter 24, a nonprofit hospital and medical service
38 organization may not provide additional health care information
40 to the Department of Human Services.

42 Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2756 is enacted to read:

44 §2756. Disclosures to the Department of Human Services

46 1. Required disclosures. Upon request, an insurer shall
48 provide the Department of Human Services the following
50 information related to the total number of persons eligible for
 health coverage under all policies, contracts and certificates
 issued by the insurer in this State:

 A. The name of the person eligible for coverage;

 B. The address of the person eligible for coverage; and

 C. The social security number of the person eligible for
 coverage;

 D. The date of birth of the person eligible for coverage;
 and

2 E. The time period for which the person is eligible for
3 coverage.

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5 2. Confidentiality. Except as provided in subsection 1 and
6 chapter 24, an insurer may not provide additional health care
7 information to the Department of Human Services.

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9 Sec. 3. 24-A MRSA §4224-B is enacted to read:

10 **§4224-B. Disclosures to Department of Human Services**

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12 1. Required disclosures. Upon request, a health
13 maintenance organization shall provide the Department of Human
14 Services the following information related to the total number of
15 persons eligible for health coverage under all policies,
16 contracts and certificates issued by the health maintenance
17 organization in this State:

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19 A. The name of the person eligible for coverage;

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21 B. The address of the person eligible for coverage; and

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23 C. The social security number of the person eligible for
24 coverage;

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26 D. The date of birth of the person eligible for coverage;
27 and

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29 E. The time period for which the person is eligible for
30 coverage.

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32 2. Confidentiality. Except as provided in subsection 1 and
33 chapter 24, a health maintenance organization may not provide
34 additional health care information to the Department of Human
35 Services.

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38 **SUMMARY**

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41 This bill requires nonprofit hospital and medical service
42 organizations, insurance companies and health maintenance
43 organizations providing health coverage in this State to provide
44 the names, addresses, social security numbers, dates of birth and
45 time periods of eligibility for coverage of all persons receiving
46 health coverage to the Department of Human Services upon
47 request. This information will allow the department to determine
48 whether recipients of Medicaid benefits are concurrently eligible
49 for private coverage from a nonprofit hospital and medical
50 service organization, insurance company or health maintenance
organization.