

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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Legislative Document

No. 484

S.P. 164

In Senate, January 14, 1999

**An Act to Require Insurers to Cover Procedures Performed by Licensed Denturists.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot.  
Cosponsored by Representative STANLEY of Medway.

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

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4           **Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2332-J** is enacted to read:

6           **§2332-J. Denture services**

8           All individual and group nonprofit hospital and medical  
10 service organization plan contracts and all nonprofit health care  
12 service organization plan contracts must provide coverage for  
14 services performed by a denturist licensed pursuant to Title 32,  
16 chapter 16, subchapter VI, under the same conditions that apply  
18 to the services of a licensed physician or dentist.

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

22           **§2756. Denture services**

24           All individual insurance policies must provide coverage for  
26 services performed by a denturist licensed pursuant to Title 32,  
28 chapter 16, subchapter VI, under the same conditions that apply  
30 to the services of a licensed physician or dentist.

32           **Sec. 3. 24-A MRSA §2847-G** is enacted to read:

34           **§2847-G. Denture services**

36           All group insurance policies must provide coverage for  
38 services performed by a denturist licensed pursuant to Title 32,  
40 chapter 16, subchapter VI, under the same conditions that apply  
42 to the services of a licensed physician or dentist.

44           **Sec. 4. 24-A MRSA §4245** is enacted to read:

46           **§4245. Denture services**

All individual and group health maintenance organization  
plan contracts must provide coverage for services performed by a  
denturist licensed pursuant to Title 32, chapter 16, subchapter  
VI, under the same conditions that apply to the services of a  
licensed physician or dentist.

**Sec. 5. Application.** The requirements of this Act apply to all  
policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued  
for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after  
January 1, 2000. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are  
deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of  
the contract date.

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## SUMMARY

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6       This bill requires that nonprofit hospital and medical  
8       service organizations, health insurers and health maintenance  
10       organizations provide coverage for services performed by licensed  
      denturists. The bill applies to all individual and group  
      policies, contracts and certificates issued or renewed on or  
      after January 1, 2000.