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H.P. 134

House of Representatives, January 21, 2003

An Act to Ensure Parity Among Mental Health Professionals Under Medicaid

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative PATRICK of Rumford.
Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and
Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, HATCH of Skowhegan, LAVERRIERE-
BOUCHER of Biddeford, MARLEY of Portland, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, TWOMEY of
Biddeford, WALCOTT of Lewiston.

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

2 Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-L, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

4 **3. Licensed marriage and family therapists; licensed**
6 **professional counselors and licensed clinical professional**
8 **counselors. Licensed marriage and family therapists must be**
10 **eligible to receive Medicaid reimbursement for counseling**
12 **services whenever licensed professional counselors or licensed**
14 **clinical professional counselors are eligible to be reimbursed**
16 **for those services. Licensed professional counselors and**
18 **licensed clinical professional counselors must be eligible to**
20 **receive Medicaid reimbursement for counseling services whenever**
22 **licensed marriage and family therapists are eligible to be**
24 **reimbursed for those services.**

SUMMARY

20 This bill provides that licensed marriage and family
22 therapists must be eligible to receive Medicaid reimbursement for
24 counseling services whenever licensed professional counselors or
licensed clinical professional counselors are eligible for
reimbursement for those services.