

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 121st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 285

H.P. 228

House of Representatives, January 28, 2003

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### **An Act Directing the Department of Human Services to Adjust Dental Reimbursement Rates under the Medicaid Program**

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: DUDLEY of Portland, DUGAY of Cherryfield, KAELIN of Winterport, NUTTING of Oakland, Senator: ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-F, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

6 3. Adjust rates. By October 1, 2003, the department shall  
8 review and adjust the reimbursement rates under the Medicaid  
10 program for dental services to the 50th percentile of the fees  
12 published in the most recent survey of dental fees for the New  
14 England region, as published by a nationwide dental association.

16 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3174-S, sub-§5** is enacted to read:

18 5. Adjust rates. By October 1, 2003, the department shall  
20 review and adjust the reimbursement rates under the Medicaid  
22 program for dental services to the 50th percentile of the fees  
24 published in the most recent survey of dental fees for the New  
26 England region, as published by a nationwide dental association.

#### SUMMARY

28 This bill directs the Department of Human Services to set  
30 the Medicaid reimbursement rates by October 1, 2003 for dental  
32 services to the 50th percentile of the fees published by a  
34 nationwide dental association.