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H.P. 162

House of Representatives, January 18, 2005

**An Act To Require the Disclosure by Hospitals and Ambulatory
Surgical Centers of Charges to Certain Payors**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Van Buren.
Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and
Representatives: BLANCHETTE of Bangor, JACKSON of Fort Kent, MARRACHÉ of
Waterville, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, PARADIS of Frenchville, PATRICK of Rumford,
TWOMEY of Biddeford.

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

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Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1718. as corrected by RR 2003, c. 1, §16, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

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With regard to the price lists disclosed pursuant to subsections 1 to 3, the hospital or ambulatory surgical center licensed under section 405 shall disclose to the public the actual amounts charged to each of the 10 most frequent payors for each service or procedure.

SUMMARY

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This bill amends the law on disclosure of hospital and ambulatory surgical center prices for inpatient, outpatient and emergency services. The bill requires disclosure to the public of amounts charged to each of the 10 most frequent payors for each service or procedure.