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INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 82, L.D. 229, "Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Report on Certain MaineCare Practices"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Report on certain MaineCare practices. Resolved: That by January 15, 2006 the Department of Health and Human Services shall provide a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services regarding the Private Health Insurance Premium Program, referred to in this resolve as "the program," under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 18; and be it further

Sec. 2. Required information. Resolved: That the report required by section 1 must include the following information:

1. Information regarding the purchase of insurance under the program for persons enrolled in MaineCare, including the total number of persons enrolled in the program and the type of insurance purchased, whether individual or group;

2. The total payments made for health care services under the program;

3. The total premiums paid under the program and to which health insurance carriers those premiums were paid; and

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4. The total savings achieved by the program.

Health insurance carriers providing coverage under the program shall cooperate with the Department of Health and Human Services in the collection of data necessary for the report required by this resolve; and be it further

Sec. 3. Authorization to report out legislation. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services may report out legislation related to the report required by this resolve to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the resolve. It eliminates the role of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance in the required report, adds specific information that must be included in the report and requires that the Department of Health and Human Services provide the report to both the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



Approved: 02/24/05 *MAC*

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Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Report on Certain MaineCare Practices

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A*

Committee: Insurance and Financial Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services in implementing this bill can be absorbed by the department utilizing existing resources.