

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 86

In Senate, January 18, 2005

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### **An Act To Ensure That All Providers of MaineCare Services Are Maine-based Businesses**

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Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services 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 ANDREWS of York.  
Cosponsored by Representative LEWIN of Eliot and  
Senators: MAYO of Sagadahoc, SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin, Representatives:  
McKENNEY of Cumberland, WHEELER of Kittery.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-GG** is enacted to read:

6 **§3174-GG. Payment restriction**

8 Beginning January 1, 2006, the department may not reimburse  
10 a provider of health care services under the MaineCare program  
12 unless the provider is a business or sole proprietorship based in  
14 the State. The restriction imposed by this section does not  
16 apply if the department has made a determination that obtaining  
18 the necessary health care service from a Maine-based business or  
20 sole proprietorship is not practical.

22 **SUMMARY**

24 This bill provides that, beginning January 1, 2006, the Department of Health and Human Services may not reimburse a provider of MaineCare health care services unless the provider is a business or sole proprietorship based in the State. The bill provides an exception to this restriction if obtaining the necessary health care service from a Maine-based business or sole proprietorship is not practical.