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H.P. 429

House of Representatives, February 3, 2005

An Act To Ensure Insurance Coverage for Medically Necessary Breast Reduction and Symptomatic Varicose Vein Surgery

Reference to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MARRACHÉ of Waterville, PILON of Saco.

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

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4 Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2332-N is enacted to read:

6 §2332-N. Coverage for breast reduction and symptomatic
7 varicose vein surgery

8 All individual and group nonprofit hospital and medical
9 services plan policies, contracts and certificates and all
10 nonprofit health care plan policies, contracts and certificates
11 must provide coverage for medically necessary breast reduction
12 and symptomatic varicose vein surgery.

14 Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2761 is enacted to read:

16 §2761. Coverage for breast reduction and symptomatic
17 varicose vein surgery

18 All individual health insurance policies, contracts and
19 certificates, except accidental injury, specified disease,
20 hospital indemnity, Medicare supplement, long-term care and other
21 limited benefit health insurance policies, contracts and
22 certificates, must provide coverage for medically necessary
23 breast reduction and symptomatic varicose vein surgery.

26 Sec. 3. 24-A MRSA §2847-L is enacted to read:

28 §2847-L. Coverage for breast reduction and symptomatic
29 varicose vein surgery

30 All group health insurance policies, contracts and
31 certificates must provide coverage for medically necessary breast
32 reduction and symptomatic varicose vein surgery.

34 Sec. 4. 24-A MRSA §4252 is enacted to read:

36 §4252. Coverage for breast reduction and symptomatic
37 varicose vein surgery

38 All health maintenance organization individual and group
39 health insurance policies, contracts and certificates must
40 provide coverage for medically necessary breast reduction and
41 symptomatic varicose vein surgery.

42 Sec. 5. Application. This Act applies to health insurance
43 policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued
44 for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after
45 January 1, 2006.
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SUMMARY

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This bill requires health insurance carriers doing business in Maine to provide coverage for medically necessary breast reduction and symptomatic varicose vein surgery in individual and group policies, contracts and certificates.