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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1053, L.D. 1496, Bill, "An Act To Reduce Maine's Health Insurance Rates and Expand Consumer Choice"

Amend the bill in Part A by striking out all of sections 1 to 6, 10 and 11.

Further amend the bill in Part A in section 15 in that part designated "~~§3909.~~" in the indented paragraph in the 5th line (page 15, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "April 1, 2006." and inserting in its place the following: 'January 1, 2007.'

Further amend the bill in Part A in section 15 in that part designated "~~§3913.~~" in subsection 1 in the 4th line (page 19, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "April 1, 2006" and inserting in its place the following: 'January 1, 2007'

Further amend the bill in Part A in section 15 in that part designated "~~§3913.~~" in subsection 1 by striking out all of paragraph A (page 19, lines 11 to 16 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'A. The member insurer sold an individual health plan to the covered person between December 1, 1993 and January 1, 2007 and the policy that was sold has been continuously renewed by the covered person and the carrier has closed its book of business for individual health plans sold between December 1, 1993 and January 1, 2007; and'

Further amend the bill in Part A by striking out all of section 17 (page 20, lines 1 to 7 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

SENATE AMENDMENT

2 'Sec. A-17. Effective date. That section of this Part that
3 repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24-A, section 2736-C,
4 subsection 3, paragraph C takes effect January 1, 2007. That
5 section of this Part that repeals section 2736-C, subsection 3,
6 paragraph A and those sections of this Part that amend section
7 2736-C, subsection 3, paragraph D and section 2736-C, subsection
8 9 take effect January 1, 2007.'

10 Further amend the bill by striking out all of Parts B to F.


12 Further amend the bill in Part G by striking out all of
13 section 1 (page 40, lines 12 to 22 in L.D.).

14 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any
15 nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
16 consecutively.

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20 **SUMMARY**

22 This amendment removes the provisions of the bill, except
23 for those that eliminate guaranteed issue with respect to
24 individual health insurance policies, establish a high-risk pool
25 and direct the Department of Professional and Financial
26 Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to review the State's health
27 insurance rate and form filing requirements.

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30 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
32 **(See attached)**

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36 SPONSORED BY: 
37 (Senator SNOWE-MELLO)

38 COUNTY: Androscoggin
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An Act To Reduce Maine's Health Insurance Rates and Expand Consumer Choice

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment 'B'

Sponsor: Sen. Snowe-Mello

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Reduction in potential fiscal impact

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Assumes a reduction in the potential fiscal impact from the original bill.