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An Act To Ensure Access to MaineCare Services

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford.
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and
Representatives: BOLAND of Sanford, CROCKETT of Augusta, MILLER of Somerville,
PERCY of Phippsburg, SMITH of Monmouth, VALENTINO of Saco.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-LL is enacted to read:**

3 **§3174-LL. Practitioner incentives**

4 The department shall provide incentives through the rules of reimbursement for
5 health care practitioners, as defined in section 1711-C, subsection 1, paragraph F, in the
6 MaineCare program to provide incentives to practitioners in order to increase the number
7 of MaineCare members served by the practitioners. The department shall adopt rules to
8 provide increased reimbursement levels or other incentives for practitioners with a high
9 proportion of patients who are MaineCare members by January 1, 2008. Rules adopted
10 pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375,
11 subchapter 2-A.

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SUMMARY

13 This bill ensures access to MaineCare services by providing incentives for health care
14 practitioners to serve MaineCare members. The incentives, which will be established by
15 routine technical rulemaking that must be completed by January 1, 2008, may include
16 reimbursement or other incentives.