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House of Representatives, January 5, 2009

### An Act To Ensure Access to MaineCare Services

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

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford.  
Cosponsored by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot and  
Representatives: BLODGETT of Augusta, CAMPBELL of Newfield, CONNOR of  
Kennebunk, EATON of Sullivan, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, TREAT of Hallowell,  
WEAVER of York, Senator: CRAVEN of Androscoggin.

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 to practitioners through the rules of  
5 reimbursement for health care practitioners, as defined in section 1711-C, subsection 1,  
6 paragraph F, in the MaineCare program in order to increase the number of MaineCare  
7 members served by the practitioners. The department shall adopt rules by January 1,  
8 2010 to provide increased reimbursement levels or other incentives for practitioners with  
9 a high proportion of patients who are MaineCare members. Rules adopted pursuant to  
10 this section are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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**SUMMARY**

12 This bill ensures access to MaineCare services by providing incentives for health care  
13 practitioners to serve MaineCare members. The incentives, which will be established by  
14 routine technical rulemaking that must be completed by January 1, 2010, may include  
15 reimbursement or other incentives.

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