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An Act To Make Health Insurance More Affordable

Reference to the Committee on Taxation 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 RECTOR of Knox.
Cosponsored by Representative KRUGER of Thomaston and
Senators: McCORMICK of Kennebec, RAYE of Washington, ROSEN of Hancock,
SULLIVAN of York, Representatives: RICHARDSON of Warren, WEAVER of York.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §5122, sub-§2, ¶AA,** as corrected by RR 2007, c. 2, §23, is
3 amended to read:

4 AA. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, an amount equal to the
5 net decrease in the depreciation deductions allowable under sections 167 and 168 of
6 the Code that would have been applicable to that property had the 50% bonus
7 depreciation deduction under Section 103 of the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008,
8 Public Law 110-185 not been claimed with respect to such property for which an
9 addition was required under subsection 1, paragraph AA in a prior year.

10 Upon the taxable disposition of property to which this paragraph applies, the amount
11 of any gain or loss includable in federal adjusted gross income must be adjusted for
12 Maine income tax purposes by an amount equal to the difference between the
13 addition modification for such property under subsection 1, paragraph AA and the
14 subtraction modifications allowed pursuant to this paragraph.

15 The total amount of subtraction claimed for property under this paragraph for all tax
16 years may not exceed the addition modification under subsection 1, paragraph AA for
17 the same property; and

18 **Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §5122, sub-§2, ¶BB,** as reallocated by RR 2007, c. 2, §24, is
19 amended to read:

20 BB. The amount of pension benefits to the extent included in federal adjusted gross
21 income under a military retirement plan as defined in paragraph M that exceed the
22 amount of military retirement plan pension benefits deducted under paragraph M and
23 that are received by a person who practices as a licensed dentist in this State for an
24 average of at least 20 hours per week during the tax year and who accepts patients
25 who receive benefits under the MaineCare program administered under Title 22,
26 chapter 855; and

27 **Sec. 3. 36 MRSA §5122, sub-§2, ¶CC** is enacted to read:

28 CC. To the extent not already excluded from federal adjusted gross income and not
29 otherwise removed from Maine taxable income, an amount equal to the total
30 premium paid for health insurance for the taxable year for the taxpayer and the
31 taxpayer's dependents.

32 SUMMARY

33 This bill provides an income tax deduction for health insurance premiums not
34 otherwise deducted for individual taxpayers and their dependents.