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House of Representatives, March 17, 2009

An Act To Require Hospitals To Make Publicly Available the Cost of Medical Procedures

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

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Presented by Representative STEVENS of Bangor. Cosponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot and Representatives: BLODGETT of Augusta, BOLDUC of Auburn, CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, CRAFTS of Lisbon, FLAHERTY of Scarborough, KAENRATH of South Portland, MAGNAN of Stockton Springs, MORRISON of South Portland. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1718, 2nd ¶, as corrected by RR 2003, c. 1, §16, is amended to read:

The hospital or ambulatory surgical center licensed under chapter 405 shall post in a conspicuous place a statement about the availability of the price list as required by this section. Posting of the price list is not required. A hospital or ambulatory surgical center shall post the price list required by this section in an easily accessible place on the hospital's or ambulatory surgical center's publicly accessible website.

## SUMMARY

This bill requires hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to post their price lists for their most common inpatient and outpatient procedures and services in an easily accessible place on their publicly accessible websites.

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