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INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 402, L.D. 1084, "Resolve, To Improve Continuity of Coverage for Participants in Medicare Advantage Plans"

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Bureau of Insurance to amend eligibility rules for Medicare. Resolved: That the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance shall amend Bureau of Insurance Rule Chapter 275 to extend from one year to 3 years the period during which a Medicare beneficiary who is enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan and returns to original Medicare has the right to enroll in a standardized Medicare supplement plan. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the resolve. The amendment requires the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to amend its rules to extend from one year to 3 years the period during which a Medicare beneficiary who is enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan may return to original Medicare and enroll in a standardized Medicare supplement plan.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 1084

LR 1835(02)

Resolve, To Improve Continuity of Coverage for Participants in Medicare Advantage Plans

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Insurance and Financial Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional rulemaking costs for the Bureau of Insurance in the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation are expected to be minor and can be absorbed by the bureau utilizing existing budgeted resources.