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H.P. 490

House of Representatives, February 17, 2011

An Act To Clarify the Responsibilities of Pharmacy Benefits Managers and Preferred Provider Organizations

Reference to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Clerk

Presented by Representative PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield.
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Kennebec and
Representatives: CURTIS of Madison, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, KNIGHT of Livermore
Falls, McKANE of Newcastle, MORISSETTE of Winslow, RICHARDSON of Warren,
SANDERSON of Chelsea, Senator: SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 24-A MRS §4317, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

3 **4. Pharmacy benefits managers; preferred provider organizations.** For the
4 purposes of this section, a pharmacy benefits manager registered under section 1913, or a
5 preferred provider arrangement administrator registered under section 2674-A that
6 administers a preferred provider arrangement for pharmacy services, is subject to the
7 same requirements as a carrier.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill provides that requirements governing the relationships between pharmacy
10 providers and insurance carriers also apply to pharmacy benefits managers and preferred
11 provider organizations that administer pharmacy services.