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L.D. 806
(Filing No. H-719)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
125TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 602, L.D. 806, Bill, "An Act To Provide Public Access to Price Lists of Hospitals and Ambulatory Surgical Facilities"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Increase Access to Information Regarding Health Care Facility and Practitioner Payments'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8712, sub-§2, as amended by PL 2009, c. 613, §8, is further amended to read:

2. Payments. The organization shall create a publicly accessible interactive website that presents reports related to payments for services rendered by health care facility facilities and practitioner payments for services rendered practitioners to residents of the State. The services presented must include, but not be limited to, imaging, preventative health, radiology and surgical services and other services that are predominantly elective and may be provided to a large number of patients who do not have health insurance or are underinsured. The website must also be constructed to display prices paid by individual commercial health insurance companies, 3rd-party administrators and, unless prohibited by federal law, governmental payors. Beginning October 1, 2012, price information posted on the website must be posted semiannually, must display the date of posting and, when posted, must be current to within 12 months of the date of submission of the information.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. It provides a new title. It requires the Maine Health Data Organization, when posting on its website price information regarding health

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1 care facilities and practitioners, to post the information semiannually, to post information
2 that is current to within 12 months of the date of submission of the information and to
3 display on the website the date of posting, beginning October 1, 2012.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 **(See attached)**



Approved: 02/17/12 *MAC*

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An Act To Provide Public Access to Price Lists of Hospitals and Ambulatory Surgical Facilities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-719)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Maine Health Data Organization can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.