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S.P. 340

In Senate, March 16, 2011

An Act To Require Public Disclosure of Health Care Prices

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

Joseph G. Carleton Jr.

JOSEPH G. CARLETON, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WOODBURY of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative: BERRY of Bowdoinham.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1718-A** is enacted to read:

3 **§1718-A. Consumer information regarding health care practitioner prices**

4 Each health care practitioner, as defined in section 1711-C, subsection 1, paragraph
5 F, shall maintain a price list of the most common services and procedures provided by the
6 health care practitioner. For purposes of this section, the most common services and
7 procedures include all services and procedures that were provided by the health care
8 practitioner 25 or more times in the preceding calendar year. The health care practitioner
9 shall post in a conspicuous place a statement about the availability of the price list and
10 shall provide the price list upon request of a consumer.

11 **Sec. 2. Effective date.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2012.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill requires a health care practitioner to maintain a price list of the health care
14 practitioner's most common services and procedures and to provide the list to a consumer
15 upon request effective January 1, 2012.