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H.P. 213

House of Representatives, February 10, 2015

**An Act To Strengthen the Economic Stability of Qualified Maine
Citizens by Expanding Coverage of Reproductive Health Care and
Family Services**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell.
Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and
Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, GATTINE of Westbrook, GIDEON of Freeport,
HOBART of Bowdoinham, MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth, Senators: GERZOFSKY of
Cumberland, KATZ of Kennebec, LANGLEY of Hancock.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3173-G** is enacted to read:

3 **§3173-G. Medicaid coverage for reproductive health care and family planning**
4 **services**

5 The department shall provide for the delivery of federally approved Medicaid
6 services to a qualified adult or adolescent when the adult's or adolescent's individual
7 income is equal to or below 209% of the nonfarm income official poverty line for
8 reproductive health care and family planning services, including pregnancy prevention,
9 testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infection or cancer and access to
10 contraception, in accordance with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act,
11 Public Law 111-148, as amended by the federal Health Care and Education
12 Reconciliation Act of 2010, Public Law 111-152.

13 **Sec. 2. Medicaid state plan amendment.** The Department of Health and
14 Human Services shall prepare and submit a Medicaid state plan amendment to the United
15 States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
16 Services that, effective October 1, 2015, provides Medicaid coverage for reproductive
17 health care and family planning services for adults and adolescents who have individual
18 incomes less than or equal to 209% of the nonfarm income official poverty line, as
19 defined by the federal Department of Health and Human Services and updated annually
20 in the Federal Register under authority of 42 United States Code, Section 9902(2), and
21 who are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid.

22 **Sec. 3. Contingent effective date.** That section of this Act that enacts the Maine
23 Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 3173-G takes effect only if:

24 1. The Commissioner of Health and Human Services receives written approval of the
25 state plan amendment submitted in accordance with section 2 from the United States
26 Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services;
27 and

28 2. The Commissioner of Health and Human Services notifies the Secretary of State,
29 the Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Revisor of
30 Statutes that written approval of the state plan amendment has been received.

31 **SUMMARY**

32 This bill expands Medicaid coverage for reproductive health care and family planning
33 services to adults and adolescents who have individual incomes less than or equal to
34 209% of the nonfarm income official poverty line as defined in accordance with federal
35 law, which is the same Medicaid coverage level as for pregnant women.