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No. 347

S.P. 130

In Senate, February 10, 2015

An Act Concerning Billing between Emergency Medical Services Providers and Insurance Companies

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

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DUTREMBLE of York.

Cosponsored by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston and

Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, GRATWICK of Penobscot, PATRICK of Oxford,

Representatives: COREY of Windham, CRAFTS of Lisbon, SHAW of Standish, SHORT of

Pittsfield, WOOD of Sabattus.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4320-J is enacted to read:
3	§4320-J. Reimbursement of certain costs of emergency medical assistance
4 5 6	Notwithstanding any other requirements of this Title, a carrier offering a health plan in this State shall provide coverage for the costs of providing emergency medical services to an enrollee, including, but not limited to, the transportation costs required to provide
7 8	medical assistance even if the enrollee is not transported to a hospital or other health care facility.
9 10 11 12 13	Sec. 2. Application. The requirements of this Act apply to all policies, contracts and certificates subject to this Act that are executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2016. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.
14	SUMMARY
15 16 17 18	This bill requires health insurance carriers to reimburse for the costs of emergency medical services, including calls for emergency medical assistance when a person is not transported to a hospital. The requirements of the bill apply to all health insurance policies issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2016.