

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Date: 2/12/2018

Minority

L.D. 453  
(Filing No. S-353)

**INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**SENATE**

**128TH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 155, L.D. 453, "Resolve, Regarding Insurance Coverage for Alternative Therapies for Addiction and Recovery"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 6th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "recovery" the following: ', including, but not limited to, physical therapy, acupuncture, chiropractic services and other services provided by licensed complementary health care providers'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 8th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2018" and inserting the following: '2019'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 8th and 9th lines (page 1, lines 12 and 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services" and inserting the following: 'joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance and financial services matters'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 17 and 18 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Second Regular Session of the 128th" and inserting the following: 'First Regular Session of the 129th'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment clarifies that the alternative therapies to be evaluated must include physical therapy, acupuncture services, chiropractic services and other services provided by licensed complementary health care providers. The amendment also changes the date the report is required to be submitted and the reference to the appropriate session of the Legislature.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



Approved: 01/29/18 *mac*

# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 453

LR 1170(02)

**Resolve, Regarding Insurance Coverage for Alternative Therapies for Addiction and Recovery**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-353)**  
**Committee: Insurance and Financial Services**  
**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires the Bureau of Insurance to convene a stakeholders group to identify the best practices for evidence-based alternative therapy for the treatment of opioid and heroin addiction. The bureau has indicated it has no expertise in this area and would most likely hire a qualified consultant. No estimate of the cost involved is made at this time.