

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 658

S.P. 220

In Senate, February 28, 2017

### **An Act To Conform Maine Law Regarding Insurer Privacy Notices to Federal Law**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset.  
Cosponsored by Representative PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield and  
Senators: CARSON of Cumberland, DOW of Lincoln, Representatives: CRAIG of Brewer,  
FOLEY of Wells, LAWRENCE of South Berwick, PRESCOTT of Waterboro, WALLACE of  
Dexter.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2206, sub-§1, ¶¶B and C**, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 677,  
3 §3 and affected by §5, are amended to read:

4 B. In the case of a policy renewal, if a change has been made in the regulated  
5 insurance entity's information practices, the notice must be provided no later than the  
6 policy renewal date, unless:

7 (1) Personal information is collected only from the policyholder or from public  
8 records; or

9 (2) A notice meeting the requirements of this section has been given within the  
10 previous 24 months.

11 C. In the case of a policy reinstatement or change in insurance benefits, if a change  
12 has been made in the regulated insurance entity's information practices, the notice  
13 must be provided no later than the time the request for reinstatement or change in  
14 benefits is received by the carrier, unless personal information is collected only from  
15 the policyholder or from public records.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill removes the general requirement that an insurer provide written notice of its  
18 information practices on an annual basis or when a policy is reinstated or benefits are  
19 changed. This bill requires that the notices must be provided if a change is made in the  
20 insurer's information practices.