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H.P. 282

House of Representatives, January 24, 2019

**An Act To Provide MaineCare Coverage for Dental Services to
Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder**

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

Handwritten signature of Robert B. Hunt in cursive.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.
Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and
Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, CRAVEN of Lewiston, DILLINGHAM of
Oxford, HANDY of Lewiston, HEAD of Bethel, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, PERRY of
Calais, Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-BBB** is enacted to read:

3 **§3174-BBB. Dental services to certain persons 21 years of age or older receiving**
4 **MaineCare services**

5 **1. Reimbursement.** By December 31, 2019, the department shall provide for
6 reimbursement under the MaineCare program for dental services to a person 21 years of
7 age or older who receives under the MaineCare program support services for adults with
8 intellectual disabilities or autism spectrum disorder. Dental services provided to such a
9 person must be the same as those provided under the MaineCare program to an eligible
10 person under 21 years of age.

11 **2. Rulemaking.** The department shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules
12 adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5,
13 chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services to extend MaineCare
16 dental services to a person 21 years of age or older who receives support services for
17 adults with intellectual disabilities or autism spectrum disorder. Dental services provided
18 to such a person must be the same as those provided under the MaineCare program to an
19 eligible person under 21 years of age.