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## 129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2019

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No. 1161

S.P. 349

In Senate, March 7, 2019

An Act To Restrict the Use of Mercury in Dental Fillings in Statefunded Dental Procedures

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

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot and

Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, PERRY of

Calais, STEWART of Presque Isle, STOVER of Boothbay, SWALLOW of Houlton, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, TEPLER of Topsham.

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1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §18394 is enacted to read:
3	§18394. State-funded mercury amalgam fillings prohibited
4 5 6	Beginning January 1, 2020, a dentist or a dental office may not place a mercury amalgam filling in a tooth as part of a procedure that is covered by any dental care program funded or partially funded by the State.
7	SUMMARY
8 9	This bill prohibits the use of mercury amalgam fillings as part of a procedure covered by any dental care program funded or partially funded by the State.