

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 553

House of Representatives, March 5, 2021

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### **An Act To Remove Coverage under the MaineCare Program for Abortions Not Covered by Medicaid**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative JAVNER of Chester.  
Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and  
Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, DUCHARME of Madison, GRIFFIN of Levant,  
KINNEY of Knox, O'CONNOR of Berwick, STANLEY of Medway, STETKIS of Canaan,  
Senator: KEIM of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3196**, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 274, §1, is repealed.

3 **SUMMARY**

4 Public Law 2019, chapter 274 enacted the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section  
5 3196, which requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide coverage  
6 to a MaineCare member for abortion services. Abortion services that are not federally  
7 approved Medicaid services must be funded by the State.

8 This bill repeals Title 22, section 3196, removing the requirement that the department  
9 fund abortion services for MaineCare members and removing the requirement that the State  
10 pay when the abortion services are not covered by Medicaid.