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House of Representatives, March 10, 2021

An Act To Improve Outcomes for Persons with Limb Loss

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

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Representative: WHITE of Waterville, Senator: BALDACCI of Penobscot.

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

- **Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4315, sub-§2,** as amended by PL 2003, c. 688, Pt. I, §1, is further amended to read:
- **2. Required coverage.** A carrier shall provide coverage for prosthetic devices in all health plans that, at a minimum, equals, except as provided in subsection 8, the coverage and payment for prosthetic devices provided under federal laws and regulations for the aged and disabled pursuant to 42 United States Code, Sections 1395k, 1395l and 1395m and 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 414.202, 414.210, 414.228 and 410.100. Covered benefits must be provided for a prosthetic device determined by the enrollee's provider, in accordance with section 4301-A, subsection 10-A, to be the most appropriate model that adequately meets the medical and recreational needs of the enrollee.
- **Sec. 2. Application.** The requirements of this Act apply to all policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2022. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.

16 SUMMARY

This bill amends the requirements in current law for coverage of prosthetic devices to clarify that coverage must be provided by health insurance carriers for the prosthetic device determined by the enrollee's provider to adequately meet the recreational needs of an enrollee as well as the medical needs of an enrollee.

The bill's requirements apply to all policies and contracts issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2022.