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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H P 380, L D 603, "An Act to Make Electric Breast Pumps More Accessible by Providing for MaineCare Reimbursement"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following.

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-KKK is enacted to read

§3174-KKK. Electric breast pump reimbursement

The department shall reimburse under the MaineCare program for electric breast pumps and supplies without prior authorization or limitation when electric breast pumps or supplies have been prescribed or recommended by a health care professional licensed under Title 32 acting within the health care professional's authorized scope of practice. The department shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. 2. Electric breast pump and supplies reimbursement rules. By January 1, 2024, the Department of Health and Human Services shall adopt rules to implement the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 3174-KKK '

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, removes the requirement that reimbursement for electric breast pumps and supplies must be at no less than the cost of the equipment being provided. It also clarifies that the reimbursement applies to equipment prescribed or recommended by any licensed health care professional acting within the health care professional's scope of practice, rather than only a physician licensed under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 36 or 48

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 603

LR 1655(02)

An Act to Make Electric Breast Pumps More Accessible by Providing for MaineCare Reimbursement

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-356)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) noted that eliminating a prior authorization requirement will only affect timing and not result in an increase in utilization. Thus, any additional costs to the DHHS to adopt the changes in this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.