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House of Representatives, February 14, 2023

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

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

ROBERT B. HUNT

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MURPHY of Scarborough.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-KKK is enacted to read:
3	§3174-KKK. Electric breast pump reimbursement
4 5 6 7 8 9	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 physician licensed under Title 32, chapter 36 or 48. The department shall reimburse at no less than the cost of the equipment being provided. 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.
11 12 13 14	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. The department shall reimburse at no less than the cost of the equipment being provided.
15	SUMMARY
16 17 18 19 20	This bill requires the MaineCare program to reimburse for electric breast pumps and supplies without prior authorization or limitation when recommended or prescribed by a physician. The reimbursement rate must be no less than the cost of the equipment. The Department of Health and Human Services is required to adopt implementing rules no later than January 1, 2024.