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(Filing No S-213)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S P 315, LD 757, "An Act to Expand Telemonitoring for MaineCare Patients"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following

'Resolve, to Review Telemonitoring and Certain Telehealth Services Reimbursed under MaineCare'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following

'Sec. 1. Department to review telemonitoring services reimbursable under MaineCare. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall review its coverage of telemonitoring services reimbursable under the MaineCare program, including its policy of restricting access to telemonitoring to patients eligible for home health services, and shall develop recommendations for changes to its coverage of telemonitoring services, including potential expansion of telemonitoring services to members not receiving home health services

Sec. 2. Department to review certain telehealth services reimbursable under MaineCare. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall review its reimbursement under the MaineCare program for ultrasound procedures and fetal nonstress tests performed remotely in a residence or other off-site location through telehealth The department shall clarify whether these services are reimbursable under current policy and, if not, shall develop recommendations regarding future reimbursement of these services

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall submit its recommendations developed under sections 1 and 2 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 10, 2024 The committee may report out legislation related to the department's report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature '

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

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SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Department of Health and Human Services to review its MaineCare reimbursement of telemonitoring services and of ultrasound procedures and fetal nonstress tests performed remotely in a residence or other off-site location through telehealth. The amendment also requires the department to submit its recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 10, 2024. The committee may report out legislation related to the department's report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 757

LR 813(02)

An Act to Expand Telemonitoring for MaineCare Patients

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-213)
Committee: Health and Human Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services to review its MaineCare reimbursement of telemonitoring services and of ultrasound procedures and fetal nonstress tests performed remotely and report back to the legislature are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources