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MINORITY

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HEALTH COVERAGE, INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

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STATE OF MAINE

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131ST LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 987, L.D. 2271, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Evaluate the Impact of Facility Fees on Patients to Improve Facility Fee Transparency and Notification and to Prohibit Facility Fees for Certain Services"

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

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'An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Evaluate the Impact of Facility Fees on Patients to Improve Facility Fee Transparency and Notification'

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Amend the bill in section 4 in paragraph E in subparagraph (1) in the last line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "fee;" the following: 'and'

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Amend the bill in section 4 in paragraph E by striking out all of subparagraph (2) (page 1, lines 22 to 24 in L.D.).

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Amend the bill in section 4 in paragraph E by renumbering the subparagraphs to read consecutively.

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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 5.

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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 7.

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

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SUMMARY

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This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, changes the title and does the following.

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1. In the provision requiring a health care entity to post notice about facility fees, it removes the requirement that the health care entity disclose information related to the financial liability of a patient if a facility fee is charged.

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1 2. It removes the provisions of the bill prohibiting the charging of a facility fee by a
2 health care entity for telehealth services unless the patient is physically present in a
3 hospital-based facility when receiving those telehealth services.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 2271

LR 3082(02)

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "*AL's less*"
Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Maine Health Data Organization to implement the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.