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6. Task force attorneys. The Attorney General, the United States Attorney for the District of Maine and the respective district attorneys may assign as many of their assistants and special assistants as they determine to be appropriate to each of the task forces or to the bureau generally. ~~The attorneys shall be available to the regional commanders and supervisors~~ bureau officers for purposes of ongoing consultation and advice ~~and shall be on the propriety and legal consequences of methods of investigation and are responsible for coordinating, with the regional commander or supervisor~~ commanders and supervisors, the prosecutorial and investigative priorities of the task force forces in conformity with the advice, consultation and direction provided by the board and the policies, practices and procedures of the bureau.

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CHAPTER 155

H.P. 613 - L.D. 873

An Act to Move the Registry of Persons Who Sustain Head Injuries from the Bureau of Rehabilitation to the Bureau of Health

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

22 MRSA §3087, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 494, is amended to read:

The Bureau of ~~Rehabilitation~~ Health shall establish, maintain and operate a statewide registry of persons who sustain head injuries to assist in promoting the general health and welfare of the State's citizens, including, but not limited to, the following specific purposes:

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CHAPTER 156

H.P. 452 - L.D. 642

An Act to Clarify the Laws Relating to Insurance Coverage for Mammograms

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the availability and performance of mammograms is critical to providing adequate health care to women; and

Whereas, the Legislature recognized the importance of this procedure to the early detection of breast cancer by enacting Public Law 1989, chapter 875 requiring all insurance policies to provide coverage for screening mammograms; and

Whereas, changes must be made to that law to effectuate the Legislature's intent; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2745-A, sub-§§2 and 3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 875, Pt. I, §3, are amended to read:

2. Required coverage. All individual insurance policies that cover radiologic procedures, except those designed to cover only specific diseases, hospital indemnity or accidental injury only or dental procedures, must provide coverage for screening mammograms performed by providers that meet the standards established by the Department of Human Services' rules relating to radiation protection. The policies must reimburse for screening mammograms performed:

- A. At least once every 2 years for women between the ages of 40 and 49; and
- B. At least once a year for women age 50 and over.

3. Application. This section applies to all policies, contracts and certificates that cover radiologic procedures, except those policies that cover only dental procedures, accidental injury or specific diseases, executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after March 1, 1991. For purposes of this section, all policies and contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the policy or contract date.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2837-A, sub-§§2 and 3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 875, Pt. I, §6, are amended to read:

2. Required coverage. All group insurance policies that cover radiologic procedures, except those policies that cover only dental procedures, accidental injury or specific diseases, must provide coverage for screening mammograms performed by providers that meet the standards established by the Department of Human Services relating to radiation protection. The policies must reimburse for screening mammograms performed:

- A. At least once every 2 years for women between the ages of 40 and 49; and
- B. At least once a year for women age 50 and over.

3. Application. This section applies to all policies, contracts and certificates that cover radiologic procedures, except those policies that cover only dental procedures, accidental injury or specific diseases, executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after