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(1) Subject the provider to health plan payor requirements or fee schedules that materially differ from the terms of the provider's contract with the carrier, unless those materially different terms are set out in writing in a separate section of the contract, such as an exhibit or amendment; or

(2) Permit the terms of the provider's existing preferred provider arrangement contract to be superseded by a carrier's subsequent contract with a health plan payor.

E. A preferred provider arrangement contract may not require a provider providing a service to an enrollee under a health plan included in the provider's contract to obtain preauthorization if the enrollee's health plan does not require prior authorization as a condition of coverage.

F. Explanation of remittance advices or comparable documents, whether in paper or electronic form, that accompany and identify payment of a provider's claims under a carrier's contract, including contracts offered through a preferred provider arrangement, must identify the administrator and payor of the provider's claims and include contact information.

The requirements of this subsection do not apply to a carrier offering a health plan with respect to preferred provider arrangement contracts with a hospital or pharmacy.

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CHAPTER 400

H.P. 53 - L.D. 61

An Act To Amend Standards for Participation in Certain Public School Services by Students Who Are Homeschooled

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4772-B is enacted to read:

<u>§4772-B. Students receiving homeschool instruc-</u> <u>tion</u>

A student is eligible to receive a state subsidy for postsecondary courses, as specified in section 4775, if the student is receiving home instruction in a program that meets the requirements of section 5001-A, subsection 3, paragraph A, subparagraph (4) and the eligible institution: **<u>1. Space available.</u>** Has space available for the student;

2. Course prerequisites. Has determined that the student has satisfactorily completed all course pre-requisites; and

3. Academic fitness. Reviews all requested evidence of the student's academic fitness and gives its approval for the student to take the requested course or courses.

A student who meets the requirements of this section is eligible to participate in postsecondary courses at an eligible institution under this section, subject to the requirements and conditions of sections 4774 to 4776. Notwithstanding section 15672, subsection 32, a student described in this section is considered to be a subsidizable pupil for purposes of receiving the subsidy provided in this chapter.

Sec. 2. Application of postsecondary course enrollment and subsidy provisions. A student in a home instruction program is eligible for the subsidy for postsecondary enrollment, as provided in this Act, for the entire 2013-2014 school year, as long as the student enrolls in the course after July 1, 2013 and the student otherwise meets the eligibility criteria.

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CHAPTER 401

S.P. 346 - L.D. 1001

An Act To Improve Laws Governing Financial Disclosure by Legislators and Certain Public Employees and Public Access to Information Disclosed

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

Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §1016-G, sub-§1, ¶¶C, E and **K**, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 634, §11, are amended to read:

C. The name, address and principal economic or business activity of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other business in which the Legislator or members of the Legislator's immediate family own or control, directly or indirectly, more than $\frac{50\%}{5\%}$ of the outstanding equity, whether individually or in the aggregate, that has received revenue of \$2,000 or more;

E. Each source of income of \$2,000 or more received by the Legislator and a description of the nature of the income, such as rental income, dividend income and capital gains;