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or investments incurred or paid by the qualified active low-income community business or a party related to the qualified active low-income community business prior to the date of the qualified low-income community investment; make equity distributions from the qualified active low-income community business to its owners; acquire an existing business or enterprise in the State; or pay transaction fees.

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CHAPTER 340 S.P. 337 - L.D. 1030

An Act To Require Health Insurance Coverage for Covered Services Provided by Naturopathic Doctors

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4320-K is enacted to read:

§4320-K. Coverage for services provided by a naturopathic doctor

- 1. Services provided by a naturopathic doctor. A carrier offering a health plan in this State shall provide coverage for health care services performed by a naturopathic doctor licensed under Title 32, chapter 113-B, subchapter 3 when those services are covered services under the health plan when performed by any other health care provider and when those services are within the lawful scope of practice of the naturopathic doctor.
- 2. Limits; deductible; copayment; coinsurance. A carrier may offer a health plan containing a provision for a deductible, copayment or coinsurance requirement for a health care service provided by a naturopathic doctor as long as the deductible, copayment or coinsurance does not exceed the deductible, copayment or coinsurance applicable to the same service provided by other health care providers.
- 3. Network participation. A carrier shall demonstrate that the carrier's provider network includes reasonable access, in accordance with section 4303, to all covered services that are within the lawful scope of practice of a naturopathic doctor. A carrier may not exclude a provider from participation in the carrier's provider network solely because the provider is a naturopathic doctor as long as the provider is willing to meet the same terms and conditions as other participating providers. This subsection does not require a carrier to contract with all naturopathic doctors or require a carrier to provide coverage under a health plan for any service provided by a participating naturopathic

doctor that is not within the health plan's scope of coverage.

- 4. Application. The requirements of this section apply to all policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State. For purposes of this section, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.
- **Sec. 2. Application.** The requirements of this Act apply to all policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2019. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.

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CHAPTER 341 H.P. 1205 - L.D. 1725

An Act To Ensure Stability for Certain Holders of Liquor Licenses

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

- **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1355-A, sub-§2-B** is enacted to read:
- 2-B. Grandfathering of certain licenses issued prior to January 1, 2018. The bureau may not suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a license issued under this section or chapter 43 or 45 that was initially issued prior to January 1, 2018 solely on the basis that:
 - A. The establishment licensed under chapter 43 or 45 was determined by the bureau after the license was issued to not be exclusively held or exclusively owned by a person licensed to manufacture liquor under this section; or
 - B. The licensee is in violation of section 707, subsection 2, 3 or 4, if the violation existed in the same manner at the time the license was initially issued or at the time the license was renewed.

The prohibition described in this subsection does not apply if the reason for suspension, revocation or refusal to renew is due to the licensee's substantial misrepresentation of or failure to disclose material facts required for the issuance or renewal of the license.

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