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Sec. 3. Application. This Act applies to property taxes based on the status of property on or after April 1, 2023.

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CHAPTER 683

H.P. 492 - L.D. 665

An Act To Promote Better Dental Care for Cancer Survivors

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

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

<u>§4320-S. Coverage for dental services for cancer patients</u>

1. Required coverage. Except as provided in subsection 2, a carrier offering a health plan in this State shall provide coverage for medically necessary dental procedures in accordance with the following for an enrollee who has been diagnosed with cancer.

A. Coverage must be provided for fluoride treatment and dental procedures that are medically necessary to reduce the risk of infection or eliminate infection or to treat tooth loss or decay in an enrollee prior to beginning cancer treatment, including chemotherapy, biological therapy or radiation therapy treatment.

B. Coverage must be provided for dental procedures that are medically necessary to reduce the risk of infection or eliminate infection or to treat tooth loss or decay that are the direct or indirect result of cancer treatment, including chemotherapy, biological therapy or radiation therapy treatment.

C. Coverage required under this subsection must include coverage for laboratory assessments, medications and treatments.

2. Routine preventive dental care not required. A carrier is not required to provide coverage for routine preventive dental care, including cleaning and sealants.

Sec. 2. No addition to State's essential health benefits; legislative finding. The Legislature finds that the requirements of this Act do not constitute an addition to the State's essential health benefits that requires defrayal of costs by the State pursuant to 42 United States Code, Section 18031(d)(3)(B) because the requirements clarify that health insurance carriers must cover medically necessary dental procedures prior to beginning cancer treatment and that are the direct or indirect result of cancer treatment under the law in effect prior to the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 3. 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, 2024. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 684

S.P. 266 - L.D. 679

An Act To Establish a Statewide Electronic Warrant System

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §17, sub-§16, as amended by PL 1993, c. 675, Pt. C, §8, is further amended to read:

16. Report on out-of-state travel. Submit to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs a quarterly report on out-of-state travel activity of the Judicial Department. The report must be submitted within 15 days after the end of each quarter and must include, for each individual who has been authorized to travel, the destination, purpose and cost by funding source of each trip; and

Sec. 2. 4 MRSA §17, sub-§17, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 675, Pt. C, §9, is amended to read:

C. The statement on proposed legislation prepared by the State Court Administrator must be considered in the preparation of the fiscal note included in a committee amendment or other amendment if the legislation or amendment has a fiscal impact on the judicial system, as determined by the State Court Administrator.: and

Sec. 3. 4 MRSA §17, sub-§18 is enacted to read:

18. Statewide electronic warrant system. Establish a secure system for the application, issuance and return of arrest warrants and search warrants that is electronic and that provides access to authorized users statewide.

A. For the purposes of this subsection, "electronic signature" means an electronic sound, symbol or process attached to or logically associated with a document and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the document, including but not limited to an electronic representation of an actual handwritten signature that is captured at the time of signature by the person or is digitally reproduced from a previously saved signature.