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126TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION



Summaries of bills, adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND
FINANCIAL SERVICES**

May 2014

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL SUMMARIES AND
ENACTED LAWS

The *Digest* is arranged within each committee by Legislative Document (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor and lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each LD title. All adopted amendments are summarized and listed by paper number. A subject index is included with each committee.

Final action on each LD is noted to the right of the LD title. The following describes the various final actions.

CARRIED OVER.....carried over to a subsequent session of the Legislature
CON RES XXX chapter # of constitutional resolution passed by both houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... Committee of Conference unable to agree; legislation died
DIED BETWEEN HOUSESHouse & Senate disagreed; legislation died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
EMERGENCYenacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE.....emergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE..... failed to receive final majority vote
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENT.....legislation proposing local mandate failed required 2/3 vote
HELD BY GOVERNOR..... Governor has not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
LEAVE TO WITHDRAW.....sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY.....ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
INDEF PP..... indefinitely postponed; legislation died
ONTP, ACCEPTED, MAJORITY, MINORITY or REPORT X... ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX..... chapter # of enacted private & special law
PUBLIC XXX chapter # of enacted public Law
RESOLVE XXX chapter # of finally passed resolve
VETO SUSTAINED.....Legislature failed to override Governor's veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature is August 1, 2014. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure may be found in the enacted law summary for that legislation.

Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services

LD 627 An Act Relating to Orally Administered Cancer Therapy

PUBLIC 449

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAIN HOBBINS	OTP-AM	S-379

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

The bill requires health insurance policies that cover cancer chemotherapy to include coverage for orally administered anticancer medications.

Committee Amendment "B" (S-379)

This amendment replaces the bill and requires health insurance carriers that provide coverage for cancer chemotherapy to include coverage for orally administered anticancer medications that is equivalent to the coverage provided for intravenously administered or injected anticancer medications. The amendment also clarifies that the provision does not limit a carrier's ability to establish a prescription drug formulary, and does not require a carrier to cover an orally administered anticancer medication simply because it is an alternative to an intravenously administered or injected anticancer medication.

The amendment applies to all policies, contracts, and certificates issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2015.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 449 requires health insurance carriers that provide coverage for cancer chemotherapy to include coverage for orally administered anticancer medications that is equivalent to the coverage provided for intravenously administered or injected anticancer medications. The law specifies that the provision does not limit a carrier's ability to establish a prescription drug formulary and does not require a carrier to cover an orally administered anticancer medication simply because it is an alternative to an intravenously administered or injected anticancer medication.

Public Law 2013, chapter 449 applies to all policies, contracts and certificates issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2015.

LD 1037 An Act To Provide Access to Affordable Health Care for All Maine Residents by 2020

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCGOWAN	ONTP	

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

The bill, which is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208, proposes to provide access to a baseline of affordable health care for all Maine residents by 2020 through subsidies, expansion of government programs, reforms in the insurance laws or other measures.

See related bill, LD 1345, An Act to Establish a Single-payor Health Care System to be Effective in 2017.