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**ABORTION ISSUES**

LR 342, An Act To Add Abortion Providers to the List of Mandated Reporters to the Department of Health and Human Services SPONSOR: Representative Duprey

LR 344, Resolve, To Deny Family Status to Fetuses SPONSOR: Representative Duprey

LR 2095, An Act To Require the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention To Publish Abortion Statistics SPONSOR: Representative Nass, J.

**BLOOD & HIV ISSUES**

LR 1513, An Act To Reduce the Spread of HIV through Shared Hypodermic Apparatuses SPONSOR: Representative Miller

LR 2125, An Act To Make HIV Testing Universal SPONSOR: Senator Marrache **HIV ADVISORY COMMITTEE BILL**

LR 1512, An Act To Improve Access to HIV Testing in Health Care Settings SPONSOR: Representative Miller

**BUDGET ISSUES**

LR 707, An Act To Provide Additional Funding for the Office of Substance Abuse SPONSOR: Senator Rosen, R.

LR 704, An Act To Provide Equity in Funding for Women's Health Services SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 982, An Act To Restore Support for HIV and AIDS Treatment and Prevention SPONSOR: Representative Cain

LR 2317, An Act To Provide Additional Funding To Decrease Domestic Violence SPONSOR: Representative Grose

LR 2032, An Act To Increase Funding for the Maine Immunization Program SPONSOR: Representative Miller **MMA BILL**

LR 2030, An Act To Maintain Patient Access to the MaineCare Network of Individual Health Care Practitioners SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J. **MMA BILL**

LR 1381, An Act To Ensure an Adequate MaineCare Seed Account for Behavioral Health Services SPONSOR: Representative Pingree

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LR 2302, An Act To Preserve the Intent of the Fund for a Healthy Maine SPONSOR:  
Senator Strimling

LR 1509, An Act To Fund Community Health Centers SPONSOR: Representative  
Perry, A.

LR 2303, An Act Concerning Unexpected Fund for a Healthy Maine Revenue  
SPONSOR: Representative Miller

LR 1648, An Act To Provide Treatment and Protection for Patients with Brain Injuries  
SPONSOR: Representative Vaughan

LR 1332, An Act To Support Spinal Cord Injury Research in Maine SPONSOR:  
Representative Eberle

LR 430, An Act To Provide Additional Funding for Substance Abuse Programs  
SPONSOR: Representative Barstow

LR 68, An Act To Support Maine's Free Clinics SPONSOR: Senator Sullivan

**CHILDREN'S ISSUES**

LR 2380, An Act To Increase Support for School-based Health Care SPONSOR:  
Speaker Cummings

LR 230, An Act To Amend the Endangering the Welfare of a Child Laws SPONSOR:  
Senator Weston

LR 2394, An Act To Promote Physical Fitness in Schools SPONSOR: Representative  
Woodbury

LR 1396, An Act To Require Daily Physical Exercise for All School Children  
SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 1293, An Act To Increase Quality Physical Education for K-8 Students  
SPONSOR: Representative Miller

LR 1827, An Act To Assess Childhood Obesity Trends in Maine SPONSOR:  
Representative Cain

LR 259, An Act To Improve the Public Health of Maine Children SPONSOR:  
Representative Faircloth

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LR 1501, An Act To Ensure the Success of All Maine Families through Quality Early Care and Education    SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 1254, An Act To Ensure Quality Care to Children with Life-threatening and Terminal Illnesses    SPONSOR: Representative Webster

LR 1050, An Act To Expand the Newborn Hearing Program Tracking System  
SPONSOR: NO SPONSOR MEANS A DEPARTMENT BILL

LR 1211, An Act To Improve Oral Health for Children    SPONSOR: Senator Sullivan

LR 1686, An Act To Protect Children from Mercury Toxicity    SPONSOR:  
Representative Burns

LR 1932, Resolve, To Study the Effectiveness and Timeliness of Early Identification and Intervention for Children with Hearing Loss    SPONSOR: Representative Farrington

LR 1380, An Act To Ban Mercury in Vaccines    SPONSOR: Senator Courtney

**FIREARMS & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ISSUES**

LR 1783, An Act To Prevent Violence against Maine Families and To Provide Adequate Intervention in Cases of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault  
SPONSOR: Senator Diamond

LR 487, An Act Relating to Domestic Violence    SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 852, An Act To Create a Waiting Period for Weapons    SPONSOR: Representative Craven

LR 111, An Act To Increase Public Safety    SPONSOR: Senator Strimling

LR 964, An Act To Provide Damages and Increase Penalties under the laws authorizing Leave for Victims of Violence    SPONSOR:

LR 18, An Act To Protect Employees Who Are Victims of Domestic Violence  
SPONSOR: Representative Faircloth

**HEALTH CARE INFORMATION & CONFIDENTIALITY ISSUES**

LR 56, An Act To Ban the Sale or Use of Patient and Prescriber Identity for Pharmaceutical Marketing    SPONSOR: Senator Schneider

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LR 99, An Act Regarding the Confidentiality of Prescription Information SPONSOR:  
Representative Campbell

LR 22, An Act To Amend the Prescription Privacy Law SPONSOR: Representative  
Faircloth

LR 894, An Act To Provide for Prescription Monitoring and Protection of Personal  
Patient Information SPONSOR: Representative Hinck

LR 1958, An Act Protecting the Confidentiality of Prescription Information  
SPONSOR: Representative Treat

LR 1043, An Act To Amend the Maine Health Data Organization Statutes SPONSOR:

LR 381, Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 100:  
Enforcement Procedures, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data  
Organization SPONSOR:

LR 769, An Act To Prohibit the Release of Certain Documents by Data Brokers  
SPONSOR: Representative Simpson

LR 1221, An Act To Eliminate the Use of Social Security Numbers as Identification on  
State Papers SPONSOR: Representative Harlow

LR 2200, An Act Regarding the Privacy of Social Security Numbers SPONSOR:  
Representative Pinkham

LR 1409, An Act To Permit Mental Health Professionals To Disclose Risks to People  
Likely To Be Harmed by a Patient SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

**HEALTH CARE REFORM PROPOSALS**

LR 2292, An Act To Create a Maine-based, Independent, Nonprofit Health  
Insurance Company SPONSOR: Representative Priest

LR 2439, Resolve, To Assess the Feasibility and Efficiency of Combining All Health  
Insurance Funds Supported by the State SPONSOR: Senator Brannigan

LR 1705, Resolve, To Create a Study Group To Formulate Plans for Self-insuring the  
Dirigo Health Plan SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 1470, An Act To Preserve Dirigo Choice SPONSOR: Representative Bryant, M.

LR 1471, An Act Concerning the Status of Dirigo Health SPONSOR: Representative  
Bryant, M.

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LR 1398, An Act To Reform Dirigo Health SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 1250, An Act To Create a Statewide Health Insurance Agency SPONSOR:  
Representative Priest

LR 289, An Act To Establish a Universal Health Care Program SPONSOR:  
Representative Tuttle

LR 261, An Act To Implement a Single-Payor Health Care System SPONSOR:  
Representative Walcott

LR 603, An Act To Establish a Single-payor Health Care System SPONSOR:  
Representative Beaudoin

LR 562, An Act To Reform the Dirigo Health Program SPONSOR: Senator  
Courtney

LR 362, An Act To Subsidize the Costs of Dirigo Choice SPONSOR: Representative  
Conover

LR 356, An Act To Enable the Dirigo Health Program To Be Self-administered  
SPONSOR: Representative Conover

LR 353, An Act To Increase Eligibility for the Dirigo Health Program SPONSOR:  
Representative Conover

LR 2402, An Act To Study Pine Tree Health Care Insurance Zones SPONSOR:  
Representative Cleary

LR 2221, An Act To Repeal Certain Health Savings Account Provisions SPONSOR:  
Representative Harlow

**INSURANCE MANDATES**

LR 2115, An Act To Protect the Health of Infants SPONSOR: Representative Curtis

LR 1297, An Act To Enhance Screening for Breast Cancer SPONSOR: Representative  
Haskell

LR 854, An Act To Require Health Insurers To Provide Coverage for Wellness and  
Disease Prevention Services SPONSOR: Representative Boland

LR 845, An Act To Require Insurance Coverage for Infertility Treatments SPONSOR:  
Representative Robinson

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LR 205, An Act To Require Health Insurance Coverage for Hearing Aids SPONSOR:  
President Edmonds

LR 2036, An Act To Reduce Expensive Health Care Treatment and Protect the Health of  
Maine Citizens by Providing Early Screening and Detection and  
Prevention of Cancer SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

**INSURANCE PRACTICES**

LR 1946, An Act To Modify Guarantee Issue and Create a High-risk Pool SPONSOR:  
Senator Mills, P.

LR 1959, An Act Concerning Health Coverage for a Dependent Child Not Enrolled in an  
Educational Institution SPONSOR: Representative Treat

LR 1948, An Act To Permit Greater Flexibility in the Design of Affordable Health  
Insurance SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 1867, An Act To Protect Consumers from Rising Health Care Costs SPONSOR:  
Senator Bartlett

LR 1879, Resolve, To Establish a Study to Determine the Possibility of Implementing the  
Healthy Americans Act SPONSOR: Representative Priest

LR 1878, An Act To Reform Maine's Health Care Program SPONSOR: Representative  
Priest

LR 1884, An Act To Explore the Feasibility of Enrolling the Legislature as an Employer  
Group in Dirigo Choice SPONSOR: Representative Miller

LR 2060, An Act To Allow the Purchase of Insurance Coverage outside Maine  
SPONSOR: Representative Savage, D.

LR 2217, An Act To Protect Consumers from Inadequate Health Care Coverage  
SPONSOR: Representative Harlow

LR 2280, An Act To Protect Consumers against Inadequate Health Insurance  
SPONSOR: Representative Conover

LR 2428, An Act To Allow Health Insurance Premiums To Vary Based on Behaviors  
Pertaining to Health SPONSOR: Representative Woodbury

LR 2353, An Act To Protect Small Businesses and Individual Health Insurance  
Consumers SPONSOR: Representative Brautigam

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LR 1791, An Act To Create Uniformity among Certain Self-insureds      SPONSOR:  
Senator Sullivan

LR 1647, An Act To Grant Maine Citizens Financial Protection Regarding Certain  
Necessary Medical Procedures      SPONSOR: Representative Vaughan

LR 1599, An Act To Allow the Staff of Federally Qualified Health Centers To Buy into  
the Maine State Employees Health Plan      SPONSOR: Senator Strimling

LR 1483, An Act To Enact the Maine Health Care Choice Act      SPONSOR: Senator  
Smith, D.

LR 1417, An Act To Reform the Small Group and Individual Health Insurance Markets  
SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 1355, An Act To Make Health Insurance More Affordable      SPONSOR:  
Representative Saviello

LR 1371, An Act To Allow Dependent Children Up to 25 Years of Age To Be Included  
on Health Insurance Policies      SPONSOR: Representative Valentino

LR 1268, An Act To Lower Mandatory Group Participation Rates to 60%      SPONSOR:  
Senator Plowman

LR 1044, An Act To Improve the Quality and Transparency of Health Care in Maine  
SPONSOR:

LR 1006, An Act To Improve the Affordability of Health Insurance for Maine People  
SPONSOR: Representative Tardy

LR 1057, An Act Regarding Health Insurance Coverage for Persons under the Influence  
of Alcohol or Narcotics      SPONSOR:

LR 776, An Act To Require Direct Payment to Emergency Medical Services Providers  
SPONSOR: Representative Perry, A.

LR 767, An Act To Help Maine People Be Informed Medical Consumers      SPONSOR:  
Representative Simpson

LR 677, An Act To Lower the Cost of Health Insurance      SPONSOR: Representative  
Vaughan

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LR 106, An Act To Establish a Reinsurance Fund To Expand Health Insurance Coverage for Individuals and Small Groups SPONSOR: S enator Rosen, R.

LR 142, An Act To Require an Insurance Company To Reimburse a 3rd-party Health Care Provider SPONSOR: Representative Tuttle

LR 169, An Act To Integrate Chronic Disease Prevention and Care into Public and Private Health Plans SPONSOR: Representative Pingree

LR 266, An Act To Reduce the Cost of Health Insurance SPONSOR: Representative McKane

LR 191, An Act To Provide Health Care Insurance To Volunteer Public Safety Personnel SPONSOR: Representative Burns

LR 34, An Act To Expand Access to Affordable Health Care SPONSOR: Senator Bartlett

LR 587, An Act To Return Affordable Health Insurance to the State SPONSOR: Representative Walker

LR 547, An Act To Require Insurers To Use Savings from Dirigo Health To Reduce Premiums SPONSOR: Representative Holman

LR 541, An Act To Allow Maine Consumers To Purchase Health Insurance from Out-of-state Insurers SPONSOR: Representative McKane

LR 565, An Act To Restore Competition to Maine's Health Insurance Market SPONSOR: Representative Pilon

LR 517, An Act To Clarify and Update the Laws Related to Health Insurance SPONSOR:

LR 441, An Act To Increase Access to Health Insurance Products SPONSOR: Representative Harlow

LR 410, An Act To Extend Health Insurance Coverage for Dependent Children up to 25 Years of Age SPONSOR: Representative Barstow

LR 2305, An Act To Increase the Minimum Medical Payments Coverage in Automobile Insurance SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 2112, An Act To Create the Insurance Fraud Division within the Bureau of Insurance SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

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LR 301, An Act To Require the Bureau of Insurance To Regulate Self-funded Health Insurance Companies SPONSOR: Senator Diamond

LR 1955, An Act To Establish A Health Care Consumers Bill of Rights SPONSOR: Representative Treat

LR L2033, An Act To Further Limit Retrospective Denials of Previously Paid Health Insurance Claims SPONSOR: Senator Marrache **MMA BILL**

LR 2262, An Act To Provide for Prompt Resolution of Insurance Claims SPONSOR: Senator Brannigan

LR 1161, An Act To Protect Consumers in the Insurance Industry SPONSOR: Representative Bliss

LR 2263, An Act To Provide for Transparency in Insurance Rate Proceedings SPONSOR: Representative Simpson **MTLA BILL**

**LONG-TERM CARE ISSUES**

LR 1350, An Act To Encourage the Elderly To Stay at Home for Care SPONSOR: Representative Saviello

LR 2225, An Act To Allow Pedicurists To Provide Services to the Elderly SPONSOR: Senator Martin

LR 2072, An Act To Prevent Inappropriate Patient Transfers SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 917, An Act To Limit Recertification of Nursing Facility Residents to One Regulatory Organization SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 1240, An Act To Ensure Consistency in Patient Care in Nursing Homes SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J.

**MANAGED CARE ISSUES**

None

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**MEDICAID ISSUES**

LR 333, Resolve, Regarding Costly Computer Processes at the Department of Health and Human Services      SPONSOR: Representative Duprey

LR 824, An Act To Authorize the Use of the Department of Health and Human Services Hearing Officers      SPONSOR:

LR 1852, Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Apply for a Waiver for the Treatment of Brain-injured Patients      SPONSOR: Representative Makas

LR 1949, An Act To Implement an Oral Health Capitation System for Children on Medicaid      SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 1388, An Act To Ensure Access to MaineCare Services      SPONSOR: Representative Beaudoin

LR 1408, An Act To Amend Medicaid Benefits As Allowed by the Federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005      SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 2000, An Act To Increase Fairness in Medical Payments      SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 1997, An Act To Support Small, Local and Efficient Hospitals      SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 1998, An Act To Equalize MaineCare Reimbursements to Hospitals      SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 1954, An Act To Recoup Health Care Funds through a False Claims Act      SPONSOR: Representative Treat

LR 2126, An Act To Stop Over-the-counter Drug Coverage for MaineCare Patients      SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 2403, An Act To Evaluate MaineCare Finances      SPONSOR: Representative Woodbury

LR 2442, An Act To Increase MaineCare Reimbursement for Speech and Language Therapists and Provide Treatment for Adults with Developmental Disabilities      SPONSOR: Representative Craven

LR 2306, An Act To Promote Healthy Practices for MaineCare Consumers      SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

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LR 2307, Resolve, To Examine Eligibility for MaineCare Long-term Care Services  
SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 2199, An Act To Create the Maine Health Care Card    SPONSOR: Representative Pinkham

LR 2228, An Act To Provide a Process of Assistance for People Participating in the MaineCare Program To Stop Smoking    SPONSOR: Senator Martin

LR 1062, An Act To Provide Medically Necessary Speech Therapy Services  
SPONSOR:

LR 1223, An Act To Improve Access to MaineCare Home Health Services    SPONSOR: Representative Pingree

LR 1140, An Act To Create a Pilot Program for Implementing Choice in Plan Offerings in the Medicaid Program    SPONSOR: Senator Weston

LR 465, An Act To Improve MaineCare Members' Access to Information    SPONSOR: Representative Farrington

LR 239, An Act To Establish a Residency Requirement for MaineCare Recipients  
SPONSOR: Representative Browne

LR 1614, An Act To Establish Affordable Medicaid Prescription Incentives  
SPONSOR: Representative Lewin

**MEDICAL ETHICS/MEDICAL RIGHTS ISSUES**

LR 1220, An Act To Allow Choice of Medication in a Living Will    SPONSOR: Representative Harlow

LR 225, An Act To Adopt the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act    SPONSOR: Senator Hobbins

LR 1334, An Act To Adopt the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act    SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 1727, An Act To Enact the Uniform Power of Attorney Act    SPONSOR: Senator Hobbins

LR 1951, An Act To Improve End-of-life Care    SPONSOR: Representative Pieh

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**MEDICAL LIABILITY ISSUES**

LR 2379, An Act To Provide for Prompt Resolution of Medical Malpractice Claims  
SPONSOR: Senator Mitchell **MTLA BILL**

LR 853, An Act To Amend the Optional Reporting Law To Include the Reporting of a Person Who Seeks To Obtain Illegal Drugs by Deception SPONSOR: Representative McKane **MHA BILL/MILES HOSPITAL**

LR 1152, An Act To Support Evidence-based Clinical Guidelines in Patient Care  
SPONSOR: Senator Perry, J. **ERIK STEELE, DO BILL**

LR 1112, An Act To Protect Emergency Room Personnel from Civil Liability  
SPONSOR: Representative MacDonald

LR 2037, An Act To Amend the Wrongful Death Statutes SPONSOR: Representative Faircloth

LR 2028, An Act To Allocate Punitive Damage Awards in Civil Cases To Include an Amount To Ensure Access to Justice for Maine Citizens SPONSOR: Senator Mitchell

LR 1108, An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Indemnity Agreements SPONSOR: Representative Wheeler

LR 2388, An Act To Increase Caps on Damages in Actions under the Maine Human Rights Act SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 2034, An Act To Establish Health Care Practitioner Immunity for Consulting Physicians in Critical Specialties or Subspecialties SPONSOR: Representative Walker **MMA BILL**

LR 1419, An Act To Permit Medical Providers an Opportunity To Express Regret for a Medical Error SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 1618, An Act To Extend the Statute of Limitations for Certain Medical Malpractice Cases SPONSOR: Senator Rotundo

LR 920, Resolve, To Create A Medical Malpractice Study Group SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 588, An Act To Slow the Rate of Growth of Spending on Health Care SPONSOR: Representative Walker **HEALTH COURT PROPOSAL**

LR 1536, An Act To Disseminate "Lessons Learned" from Medical Injury Claims  
SPONSOR: Senator Bowman

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LR 1675, An Act To Amend the Maine Tort Claims Act      SPONSOR: Representative Plummer

LR 2341, An Act To Amend the Maine Tort Claims Act      SPONSOR: Senator Hobbins

**MENTAL HEALTH, MENTAL RETARDATION, & SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES**

LR 2027, Resolve, To Address Drug Abuse and Addiction      SPONSOR: Representative Pingree

LR 2075, An Act To Prevent Elder Prescription Drug Abuse      SPONSOR: Senator Bromley

LR 841, An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Cases Involving the Plea or Finding of Not Criminally Responsible by Reason of Insanity      SPONSOR: Senator Bartlett

LR 987, An Act To Provide for Juveniles Who Are Found Not Criminally Responsible by Reason of Insanity      SPONSOR: Representative Sykes

LR 843, An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Plea of Not Criminally Responsible by Reason of Mental Disease or Defect in Juvenile Cases      SPONSOR: Representative Sykes

LR 2264, An Act To Prevent Improper Incarceration of the Mentally Ill      SPONSOR: Representative Simpson

LR 2314, An Act To Provide Outreach and Training on Dementia-related Issues for Law Enforcement Officers      SPONSOR: Representative Grose

LR 1362, An Act To Require the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability To Provide Audit and Oversight Services Regarding Medical and Dental Services Provided in the County Jails and State Prisons  
SPONSOR: Representative Saviello

LR 1234, An Act To Ensure That County Jails Maintain the Same Formulary for Mental Health Medications as the Maine State Prison      SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J.

LR 319, An Act Concerning Perinatal Mental Health      SPONSOR: Senator Sullivan

LR 1577, An Act To Preserve and Support Community Treatment Options for Children's Behavioral Health Needs      SPONSOR: Senator Brannigan

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LR 1572, An Act To Improve Efficiency and Reduce Administrative Costs Not Associated with High-quality and Safe Conditions in Programs Delivered to People with Developmental Disabilities      SPONSOR: Senator Rosen, R.

LR 1255, An Act To Provide Services for Adults with Diagnoses of Mental Retardation and Other Developmental Disabilities      SPONSOR: Representative Webster

LR 1757, An Act To Demonstrate Cost Savings by Preventing Onset of Severe Mental Illness in Youth SPONSOR: Representative Eberle

LR 1063, An Act To Clarify the Definition of Autism and Eligibility for Services from the Department of Health and Human Services      SPONSOR:

LR 1058, An Act To Clarify Involuntary Admissions for Psychiatric Hospitalizations SPONSOR:

LR 1436, An Act Regarding Notice That Must Be Provided by a Psychiatric Facility Concerning Certain Patients SPONSOR: Senator Brannigan

LR 1055, An Act To Improve Continuity of Care within Maine's Community-based Mental Health Services      SPONSOR:

LR 1782, An Act To Ensure the Effective Management of the Behavioral Health Care System in Maine      SPONSOR: Senator Strimling

LR 1412, An Act To Require Legislative Review of Rules for Mental Health Managed Care and for Rate Setting for Mental Retardation Services SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 48, An Act To Reform Maine's Mental Health Statutes SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J.

LR 1233, An Act To Ensure the Delivery of Mental Health Services in Rural Maine SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J.

LR 1270, An Act To Allow the State To Administer Psychiatric Drugs in a Hospital Setting      SPONSOR: Senator Plowman

LR 822, An Act To Provide Gambling Addiction Counseling Services through the Office of Substance Abuse SPONSOR:

LR 1242, An Act Concerning the Examination of Persons in Protective Custody SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J.

LR 1399, An Act To Define "Disability" in Cases before the Maine Human Rights Commission      SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

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LR 2139, An Act To Address the Pervasive Effect of Substance Abuse in Maine  
SPONSOR: Representative Webster

**PRESCRIPTION DRUG ISSUES**

LR 1960, An Act To Regulate Inappropriate Electronic Advertising of Prescription Drugs  
SPONSOR: Representative Treat

LR 1962, An Act To Prevent Overcharging for Prescription Drug Copays SPONSOR:  
Representative Treat

LR 1849, An Act To Assist Maine Pharmacies SPONSOR: Senator Diamond

LR 212, An Act To Stop Misleading Drug Advertisements SPONSOR: Representative  
Campbell

LR 2074, An Act To Assist Seniors with Problems Caused by the Federal Medicare Part  
D Program SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 1691, An Act Regarding the Use of Marijuana for Certain Medical Conditions  
SPONSOR: Representative Harlow

LR 1230, An Act To Provide Patients with Their Medication SPONSOR: Senator  
Strimling

LR 1944, An Act To Impose Tighter Control over Addictive Prescription Drugs  
SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

LR 100, An Act Regarding Prescription Drug Expiration Dates SPONSOR:  
Representative Campbell

LR 1964, An Act Establishing a Prescription Drug Academic Detailing Program  
SPONSOR: Representative Treat

LR 2062, An Act To Create the Prescription Assistance Program SPONSOR: Senator  
Benoit

LR 2031, An Act To Establish a Pilot Program for Return of Unused Prescription Drugs  
by Mail SPONSOR: Representative Perry, A. **MMA BILL**

LR 1305, An Act To Allow a Patient To Choose between Generic or Name Brand  
Medications SPONSOR: Senator Rosen, R.

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LR 1940, Resolve, To Study the Clinical Impact of Prior Authorization for  
Pharmaceuticals      SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY ISSUES**

LR 1800, An Act To Preserve the Regional Emergency Medical Services System  
SPONSOR: Representative Tuttle

LR 2288, An Act Regarding Emergency Nonambulatory Care      SPONSOR:  
Representative Adams

LR 493, An Act To Ensure Uniform Emergency Medical Dispatch Services in Maine  
SPONSOR:

LR 494, An Act To Improve the Efficiency of the Maine Emergency Management  
System SPONSOR:

LR 1049, An Act To Enhance Enforcement of Public Health Measures      SPONSOR:

LR 534, An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force To Study  
Maine's Homeland Security Needs      SPONSOR:

LR 772, An Act To Protect Women's Health      SPONSOR: Representative Simpson

LR 914, An Act To Enact the Recommendations of the Task Force To Study Cervical  
Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education      SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 204, An Act To Decrease Cervical Cancer in Maine Girls      SPONSOR:  
Representative Faircloth

LR 53, An Act To Establish November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month SPONSOR:  
Senator Mitchell

LR 1490, An Act To Amend the Laws Relating to Lyme Disease      SPONSOR: Senator  
Bryant, B.

LR 143, An Act To Address Eating Disorders in Maine      SPONSOR: Representative  
Tuttle

LR 2384, An Act To Implement the Goals of the State Health Plan SPONSOR: Speaker  
Cummings

LR 2098, Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Integrating Nutrition and Holistic Health  
Care Practices into Maine's Health Care System      SPONSOR: Representative Boland

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LR 915, An Act To Enact the Recommendations of the Human Trafficking Task Force  
SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 476, An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Human Trafficking Task Force  
SPONSOR:

LR 1000, Resolve, Ratifying the Attorney General's Decision To Seek Bids for Outside Counsel in Proceedings To Protect Maine Children from Exposure to Lead Paint  
SPONSOR:

LR 14, An Act To Ensure Fairness in the Allocation of Health Care Costs SPONSOR:  
Representative Canavan

LR 1164, An Act To Amend the Family Medical Leave Act SPONSOR: Senator Damon

LR 1245, An Act To Clarify Intermittent Leave under the Family Medical Leave Act  
SPONSOR: Representative Simpson

LR 2214, An Act To Adjust the Family Sick Leave Law SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 1624, An Act To Care for Working Families SPONSOR: Representative Norton

LR 1375, An Act To Expand the Family Medical Leave Requirements SPONSOR:  
Senator Mitchell

LR 739, An Act To Amend the Employment Practices Law SPONSOR: Senator Snowe-Mello

LR 1912, An Act To Improve Road Safety and Update Bicycling Statutes SPONSOR:  
Senator Damon

LR 900, An Act Concerning Maine's Highway Safety Laws SPONSOR:  
**PRIMARY SEAT BELT ENFORCEMENT/LD 24?**

LR 2370, Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Off-road Bike and Walking Paths along the Busiest Commuting Corridors in the State SPONSOR: Representative Woodbury

**REGULATION OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

LR 1847, An Act To Exempt Nationally Accredited Child Welfare and Behavioral Health Care Organizations from State Licensing SPONSOR: Senator Nass, R.

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LR 791, Resolve, To Establish the Work Group To Review and Recommend Improvements for the Certificate of Need Program SPONSOR: Representative Miller

LR 1060, An Act To Amend the Certificate of Need Act SPONSOR:

LR 1199, An Act To Postpone the Repeal of Nonhospital Expenditures in the Capital Investment Fund SPONSOR: Senator Turner **MMA BILL**

LR 808, An Act To Amend the Definition of Health Care Facility To Include Hospice Facilities SPONSOR: Senator Diamond

LR 1514, An Act To Expand the Definition of Health Care Facility under the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority Act SPONSOR: Representative Miller

LR 1744, Resolve, To Require Reporting of Hospital Infection Rates SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 1679, An Act To Create Equity in Hospital Charges SPONSOR: Representative Walcott

LR 2229, An Act To Amend the Charter of Northern Maine General SPONSOR: Senator Martin

LR 2192, An Act To Ensure Equity in Hospital Billing SPONSOR: Representative Canavan

LR 2378, An Act To Reduce Hospital Infections SPONSOR: Representative Woodbury

LR 2168, An Act To Collect Hospital Infection Information SPONSOR: Representative McFadden

LR 1989, An Act To Prevent Duplication in Certification of Medical Facilities SPONSOR: Representative Mills, J.

LR 1279, An Act To Create the Maine Hospital Patient Protection Act SPONSOR: Representative Faircloth

LR 1208, An Act To Protect Health Care Facilities SPONSOR: Senator Schneider

LR 1059, An Act To Amend Licensing and Certification Requirements SPONSOR:

LR 151, An Act To Exempt Training and Educational Research Costs from the Voluntary Spending Cap SPONSOR: Representative Haskell

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LR 2405, An Act To Require Public Disclosure of Health Care Prices      SPONSOR:  
Representative Woodbury

LR 58, An Act To Institute a Corporate Ethics Policy      SPONSOR: Senator  
Schneider

LR 1444, An Act To Make Good on the True Mission of Nonprofit Entities  
SPONSOR: Senator Schneider

LR 984, An Act Regarding Corporations      SPONSOR: Senator Strimling

LR 1611, An Act To Eliminate the 5% Service Provider Tax on Not-for-profit  
Residential Care Facilities      SPONSOR: Senator Gooley

LR 1530, An Act To Set Fees for Services for Tax-exempt Properties in Municipalities  
SPONSOR: Representative Blanchette

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INDIVIDUAL HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS**

LR 2327, An Act To Address Issues Related to Chiropractic Licensure      SPONSOR:  
Senator Schneider

LR 2277, An Act To Streamline Licensure for Sign Language Interpreters SPONSOR:  
Representative Norton

LR 2400, An Act To Allow the Independent Practice of Dental Hygiene      SPONSOR:  
Representative Clark

LR 2398, An Act To Provide for the Regulation of Denturists by the Board of  
Complementary Health Care Providers      SPONSOR: Representative Clark

LR 1950, An Act To License a New Dental Auxiliary Profession      SPONSOR: Senator  
Mills, P.

LR 1779, An Act To Increase Access to Dental Care      SPONSOR: Senator  
Strimling

LR 2142, An Act To License Certified Professional Midwives To Promote Greater Public  
Safety and Access      SPONSOR: Representative Smith, N.

LR 2025, An Act To Amend the Medical Licensing Board SPONSOR: Representative  
Pingree

LR 2137, An Act To Adopt the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act

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SPONSOR: Representative Simpson

LR 1845, An Act To Ensure Cost-effective Training for Certain Medical Professionals

SPONSOR: Senator Nass, R.

LR 2202, An Act To Grant Supervision Privileges to Independent Practice Registered

Nurses SPONSOR: Representative Pinkham

LR 960, An Act To Strengthen Regulatory Oversight of Applicants for Professional and  
Occupational Licensure SPONSOR:

LR 2035, An Act To Authorize the Maine Board of Pharmacy To Establish a Pharmacists  
Health Program SPONSOR: Representative Perry, A. **MMA BILL**

LR 2130, An Act To Increase Availability of Medical Specialists SPONSOR: Senator  
Marrache

LR 2193, An Act To Make Certain Changes to the Board of Licensure in Medicine

SPONSOR: Senator Rotundo

LR 596, An Act To Clarify the Laws Regarding Physicians SPONSOR:

LR 317, An Act To Clarify the Requirements for Temporary Licensure of Psychologists

SPONSOR: Senator Bromley

LR 597, An Act To Repeal Title 32, Chapters 23-A and 77, and To Create a Board of  
Speech-language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dealing and Fitting

SPONSOR:

LR 2092, An Act To Provide for Consumer Rights by Including an Independent Citizen  
on All Licensing Boards SPONSOR: Representative Savage, D.

LR 910, An Act To Require a Criminal Background Check for the Licensure and  
Relicensure of Emergency Medical Services Personnel SPONSOR

LR 1486, An Act To Allow Physician's Assistants To Sign Death Certificates

SPONSOR: Representative Perry, A.

LR 2167, An Act To Allow Physician's Assistants To Sign Death Certificates in Certain  
Circumstances SPONSOR: Representative Richardson, E.

LR 2149, An Act To Expand the Scope of Practice of Certified Nurses Aides To Include  
the Care of Feeding Tubes and Similar Devices SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

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LR 1764, An Act Concerning the Supervision of Nursing Support Staff    SPONSOR:  
Representative Perry, A.

LR 898, An Act To Promote Quality and Safety Through the Expansion of the CNA  
Registry            SPONSOR: Representative Pingree

LR 1379, An Act To Permit Certain Health Care Practices    SPONSOR: Senator  
Courtney

LR 1882, An Act Concerning the Practice of a Deceased or Incapacitated Dentist  
SPONSOR: Senator Bromley

LR 2399, An Act To Allow for the Corporate Ownership of Dental Practices  
SPONSOR: Representative Clark

LR 1766, An Act To Exempt Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants in Active  
Patient Care from Jury Duty    SPONSOR: Senator Hobbins

**TOBACCO ISSUES**

LR 429, An Act To Require Cigarettes Sold in Maine To Be Fire-safe            SPONSOR:  
Representative Rines

LR 1685, An Act To Reduce the Risk of Fires Caused by Cigarettes            SPONSOR:  
Representative Brautigam

LR 1393, An Act Concerning Certain Flavored Cigarettes and Cigars            SPONSOR:  
Senator Mills, P.

LR 977, An Act To Require that Cigarettes Sold in the State Be Self-extinguishing  
SPONSOR: Representative Simpson

LR 1053, An Act To Increase Cigarette Fire Safety by Requiring That Reduced Ignition  
Propensity Cigarettes Be Sold in Maine            SPONSOR:

LR 1450, An Act To Ensure Retail Tobacco License Compliance    SPONSOR:  
Representative Rand

LR 1825, An Act To Restrict the Smoking Exemption for Tobacco Specialty Stores  
SPONSOR: Senator Turner

LR 2385, An Act To Prevent Cigarette Smuggling and Sales of Cigarettes to Minors  
SPONSOR: Speaker Cummings

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LR 1327, An Act To Address Smoking in Senior Housing SPONSOR: Senator Sullivan

LR 322, Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 250: Rules Relating to Smoking in the Workplace, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Partnership for a Tobacco-free Maine SPONSOR: Representative Pieh

LR 1604, An Act To Increase Charitable Donations SPONSOR: Senator Mitchell

LR 1605, An Act Relating to Uncollectible Cigarette and Tobacco Tax SPONSOR: Senator Mitchell

LR 1824, An Act To Reclassify Certain Tobacco Products SPONSOR: Representative Brautigam

LR 2195, An Act To Equalize the Taxation of Noncigarette Tobacco Products  
SPONSOR: Senator Mills, P.

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION ISSUES**

LR 1565, An Act To Promote Compliance with Workers' Compensation Laws  
SPONSOR: President Edmonds

LR 1507, An Act To Enhance the Workers' Compensation Board Advocate Program  
SPONSOR: Senator Nutting, J.

LR 1020, An Act To Permit the Workers' Compensation Board To Allow a No-fault  
Workers' Compensation Program SPONSOR: Representative Cressey

LR 685, An Act Regarding Final Agency Action Subject to Appeal Pursuant to the Maine  
Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 SPONSOR:

LR 161, Resolve, To Expedite a Workers' Compensation Case SPONSOR:  
Representative Tuttle

LR 2227, An Act To Create an Appeals Division on the Workers' Compensation  
Commission SPONSOR: Senator Martin

LR 2250, An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Appeals from Decisions Issued by the  
Maine Workers' Compensation Board SPONSOR: Senator Weston

LR 1723, An Act To Improve the Independent Medical Examiner System SPONSOR:  
President Edmonds

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LR 2136, An Act To Assist the Independent Medical Examiner Program for Workers' Compensation SPONSOR: Senator Marrache

LR 2387, An Act To Amend the Seven-day Waiting Period Under the Workers' Compensation Act SPONSOR: Representative Tuttle

LR 324, An Act To Facilitate MaineCare Reimbursement in Workers' Compensation Cases SPONSOR: Representative Watson

LR 684, An Act Regarding Payment of Penalties for Nonpayment of Bills for Medical or Health Care Services under the Maine Workers' Compensation Act of 1992 SPONSOR: