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H.P. 490

House of Representatives, February 17, 2011

**An Act To Clarify the Responsibilities of Pharmacy Benefits Managers and Preferred Provider Organizations** 

Reference to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Clerk

Presented by Representative PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield. Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Kennebec and

Representatives: CURTIS of Madison, FITZPATRICK of Houlton, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, McKANE of Newcastle, MORISSETTE of Winslow, RICHARDSON of Warren,

SANDERSON of Chelsea, Senator: SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4317, sub-§4 is enacted to read:
3 4 5 6 7	4. Pharmacy benefits managers; preferred provider organizations. For the purposes of this section, a pharmacy benefits manager registered under section 1913, or a preferred provider arrangement administrator registered under section 2674-A that administers a preferred provider arrangement for pharmacy services, is subject to the same requirements as a carrier.
8	SUMMARY
9 10 11	This bill provides that requirements governing the relationships between pharmacy providers and insurance carriers also apply to pharmacy benefits managers and preferred provider organizations that administer pharmacy services.