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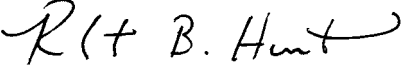
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H.P. 380

House of Representatives, February 14, 2023

**An Act to Make Electric Breast Pumps More Accessible by
Providing for MaineCare Reimbursement**

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.


ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MURPHY of Scarborough.
Cosponsored by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland and
Representatives: CRAFTS of Newcastle, GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, KUHN of Falmouth,
PERRY of Calais, TERRY of Gorham.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-KKK** is enacted to read:

3 **§3174-KKK. Electric breast pump reimbursement**

4 The department shall reimburse under the MaineCare program for electric breast
5 pumps and supplies without prior authorization or limitation when electric breast pumps or
6 supplies have been prescribed or recommended by a physician licensed under Title 32,
7 chapter 36 or 48. The department shall reimburse at no less than the cost of the equipment
8 being provided. The department shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted
9 pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375,
10 subchapter 2-A.

11 **Sec. 2. Electric breast pump and supplies reimbursement rules.** By January
12 1, 2024, the Department of Health and Human Services shall adopt rules to implement the
13 Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 3174-KKK. The department shall reimburse at
14 no less than the cost of the equipment being provided.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill requires the MaineCare program to reimburse for electric breast pumps and
17 supplies without prior authorization or limitation when recommended or prescribed by a
18 physician. The reimbursement rate must be no less than the cost of the equipment. The
19 Department of Health and Human Services is required to adopt implementing rules no later
20 than January 1, 2024.