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**An Act to Require Insurance Carriers to Compensate Providers for
Costs of Providing Medical Records for Utilization Review**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4304, sub-§8** is enacted to read:

3 **8. Records.** A carrier requesting medical records or documents for utilization review
4 under this section shall compensate a provider for reasonable expenses to provide the
5 requested records or documents in accordance with this subsection.

6 A. The provider shall make every reasonable effort to provide the records and
7 documents requested by a carrier at no cost.

8 B. The provider shall give the carrier the estimated cost of reasonable expenses to
9 provide the requested records or documents at the time the records or documents are
10 requested by the carrier.

11 C. The provider may require the carrier to submit reimbursement for the reasonable
12 costs under paragraph B within a reasonable time.

13 For purposes of this subsection, "reasonable expenses" means the actual costs attributable
14 to the gathering of the requested medical records or documents, making and providing
15 copies or transmitting the records or documents.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill requires a carrier requesting medical records or documents for utilization
18 review to compensate a health care provider for reasonable expenses to provide the
19 requested records or documents.