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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 621, L.D. 1783, “An Act To Require Health Insurance Carriers and Pharmacy Benefits Managers To Appropriately Account for Cost-sharing Amounts Paid on Behalf of Insureds”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4349, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Cost-sharing amounts paid on behalf of covered person. The requirements of this subsection apply to the calculation of a covered person's contribution to any applicable cost-sharing or other out-of-pocket expense under a covered prescription drug benefit.

A. When calculating a covered person's contribution to any applicable cost-sharing or other out-of-pocket expense under a covered prescription drug benefit, a carrier or pharmacy benefits manager shall give credit for any waiver or discount of, or payment made by a 3rd party for, the amount of, or any portion of the amount of, the applicable cost-sharing or other out-of-pocket expense for the covered prescription drug that is either:

- (1) Without a generic equivalent; or
- (2) With a generic equivalent when the covered person has obtained access to the covered prescription drug through prior authorization, a step therapy override exception or other exception or appeal process.

B. A 3rd party that pays as financial assistance any amount, or portion of the amount, of any applicable cost-sharing or other out-of-pocket expense on behalf of a covered person for a covered prescription drug:

- (1) Shall notify the covered person prior to or within 7 days of the acceptance of the financial assistance of the total amount of assistance available and the duration for which it is available; and
- (2) May not condition the assistance on enrollment in a specific health plan or type of health plan, except as permitted under federal law.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

