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In Senate, March 7, 2019

An Act To Restrict the Use of Mercury in Dental Fillings in State-funded Dental Procedures

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

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot and
Senator: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, Representatives: HARNETT of Gardiner, PERRY of
Calais, STEWART of Presque Isle, STOVER of Boothbay, SWALLOW of Houlton, TALBOT
ROSS of Portland, TEPLER of Topsham.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §18394** is enacted to read:

3 **§18394. State-funded mercury amalgam fillings prohibited**

4 Beginning January 1, 2020, a dentist or a dental office may not place a mercury
5 amalgam filling in a tooth as part of a procedure that is covered by any dental care
6 program funded or partially funded by the State.

7 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill prohibits the use of mercury amalgam fillings as part of a procedure covered
9 by any dental care program funded or partially funded by the State.