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An Act Regarding Subrogation of Medical Payments Coverage

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

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Presented by Representative BECK of Waterville. Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CAREY of Lewiston, Senator: GERZOFSKY of Cumberland.

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2910-A, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2011, c. 509, §1, is
further amended to read:

Policy requirements. A casualty insurance policy subject to this chapter may not
provide for subrogation or priority over the insured of payment for any hospital, nursing,
medical or surgical services or of any expenses paid or reimbursed under the medical
payments coverage in the policy in the event the insured is entitled to receive payment or
reimbursement from any other person as a result of legal action or claim, except as
provided in this section.

- 10 The coverage may contain a provision that allows the payments if:
- 11 B. The provision requires the written approval of the insured;
- 12 C. The provision provides that the insurer's subrogation right is subject to 13 subtraction to account for the pro rata share of the insured's attorney's fees incurred in 14 obtaining the recovery from another source; and
- 15 D. The provision is approved by the superintendent.
- 16 SUMMARY

This bill strikes language in the law that allows subrogation or priority over the insured of medical payments in certain instances in a casualty insurance policy for any hospital, nursing, medical or surgical services or any expenses paid or reimbursed under the medical payments coverage in the policy in the event that the insured is entitled to receive payment.