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## An Act To Facilitate Dental Treatment for Children

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland and
Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, GRATWICK of Penobscot, MILLETT of
Cumberland, MIRAMANT of Knox, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc,
Representatives: CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth, CROCKETT of Portland.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4303, sub-§24 is enacted to read:
3 4 5	<b>24. Dental benefit waiting period.</b> A carrier may not impose a waiting period, as defined in section 2848, subsection 5, for any dental or oral health service or treatment except for orthodontic treatment, for an enrollee if the enrollee is under 19 years of age.
6	SUMMARY
7 8 9	This bill prohibits a health insurance carrier from imposing a waiting period for any dental or oral health service or treatment, except for orthodontic treatment, for an enrolled under 19 years of age.