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Senator Donna Bailey, Senate Chair Representative Kristi Mathieson, House Chair Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services 100 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0100

Re: LD 1192, An Act to Increase the Commercial Insurance Reimbursement Rate for Ambulance Services

Dear Senator Bailey, Representative Mathieson, and Members of the Committee:

The Bureau of Insurance is neither for nor against L.D. 1192. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with background information.

This bill modifies 24-A M.R.S. §4303-F to make the maximum reimbursement rate for covered ambulance services the same for in-network and out-of-network providers. It also raises that rate from 200% to 400% of the Medicare rate (subject to adjustments for rural and super-rural ambulance providers, which is unchanged by the bill). The change applies to both transport and non-transport services. Finally, the bill repeals the 5% limit on annual rate increases by providers who charge less than the maximum rate.

Doubling the reimbursement rate and including out-of-network providers in this reimbursement requirement may impact health insurance premiums, but we do not have information to estimate that amount at this time.

Sincerely,

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