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May 6, 2025

Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
c/o Legislative Information Office
100 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Re: Testimony in Support of LD 1800

Senator Bailey, Representative Mathieson and members of the Committee, I am Brian Duffy, Vice President and General Counsel at Delta Dental Plan of Maine d/b/a Northeast Delta Dental ("Delta Dental"). As Maine's largest dental benefits administrator, Delta Dental administers dental benefits for over 350,000 Mainers and contracts with a network of 650 dentists, 72 independent practice dental hygienists (IPDHs), and 12 denturists.

Delta Dental supports LD 1800. The language largely matches existing laws in New Hampshire and Vermont ([RSA 420-J:8-f](#) and [8 V.S.A. §4121](#)). Delta Dental supported the enactment of those laws and the laws as implemented have worked well for dental care providers and patients alike. Like the laws in neighboring states, LD 1800 balances the interests of patients and dentists.

Accordingly, I ask that this Committee vote that LD 1800 ought to pass.

Sincerely,

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