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Senator Bailey, Chair
Representative Mathieson, Chair
Members, Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
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Re: LD 1663 – *An Act Relating to Health Care Transparency and the Maine Health Data Organization*

Senator Bailey, Representative Mathieson and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services, thank you for the opportunity to provide information neither for nor against LD 1663 – *An Act Relating to Health Care Transparency and the Maine Health Data Organization*.

This resolve requires the Maine Health Data Organization (MHDO) to report the average amount paid by public payors, including but not limited to Medicare and the MaineCare program, on its publicly accessible website that reports the average amount paid for common health care procedures at different health care settings in the same manner that it reports the average amount paid by commercial payors.

The Department and MHDO believe this bill is not necessary because 22 MRS §8712.2 already requires MHDO's website to "be constructed to display prices paid by individual commercial health insurance companies, 3rd-party administrators and, unless prohibited by federal law, governmental payors," and MHDO is currently working to add MaineCare reimbursement rates – which are available at the MaineCare website today – to the MHDO website in 2026.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions during your deliberation of this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michelle Probert'.

Michelle Probert
Director
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