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House of Representatives, March 5, 2021

An Act To Remove Coverage under the MaineCare Program for Abortions Not Covered by Medicaid

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative JAVNER of Chester.
Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and
Representatives: CONNOR of Lewiston, DUCHARME of Madison, GRIFFIN of Levant,
KINNEY of Knox, O'CONNOR of Berwick, STANLEY of Medway, STETKIS of Canaan,
Senator: KEIM of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3196**, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 274, §1, is repealed.

3 **SUMMARY**

4 Public Law 2019, chapter 274 enacted the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section
5 3196, which requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide coverage
6 to a MaineCare member for abortion services. Abortion services that are not federally
7 approved Medicaid services must be funded by the State.

8 This bill repeals Title 22, section 3196, removing the requirement that the department
9 fund abortion services for MaineCare members and removing the requirement that the State
10 pay when the abortion services are not covered by Medicaid.