



MAINE PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

ACTion Alert

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State Legislative Activity

FURTHER ACTION NEEDED on LD 386

This morning the House voted overwhelmingly to override the Governor's veto on LD 386.

The vote was 131-10 and step one of two has been achieved!

This bill, sponsored by Rep Linda Sanborn, MD, provides barrier-free coverage of evidence-based tobacco cessation treatment for Medicaid members. It provides coverage for tobacco cessation treatment as recommended in the US Public Health Services clinical practice guidelines.

Visit the following roll-call vote website to see how your legislator voted.

[http://www.mainelegislature.org/LawMakerWeb/rollcall.asp?
ID=280046874&chamber=House&serialnumber=465](http://www.mainelegislature.org/LawMakerWeb/rollcall.asp?ID=280046874&chamber=House&serialnumber=465)

Read a fact sheet on the bill at the following website:

<https://origin.library.constantcontact.com/doc205/1105463575932/doc/KOz4uk2LP3sWpCKO.pdf>

We are expecting the Senate to take up the vote as early as Tuesday on this bill and need 2/3 of the members present to override the veto. This bill had unanimous support of the Health and Human Services Committee and passed by almost all legislators when it was originally considered. However, the vote "went under the hammer" in the Senate originally so there was no roll call.

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