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Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

**‘Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §14, sub-§2-J** is enacted to read:

**2-J. Authority to contract for attorney services.** The department is authorized to pursue rights under this section, including 3rd-party reimbursement of MaineCare costs in workers' compensation claims cases, through contracted attorney services. The department may adopt rules as necessary to implement this subsection. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.’

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

## SUMMARY

This amendment adds to the bill a provision authorizing the Department of Health and Human Services to contract for attorney services in order to pursue reimbursement of MaineCare costs in workers' compensation claims cases.