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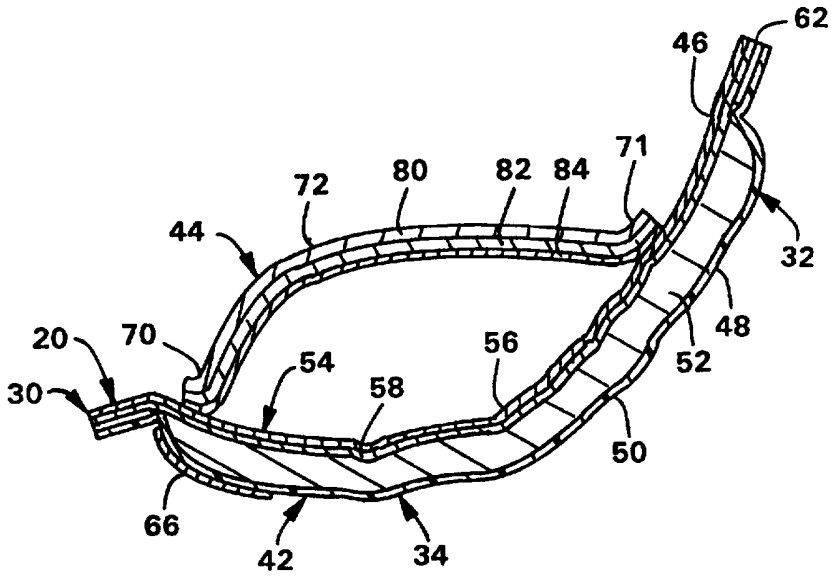
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(57) Abstract

An absorbent article (20) has a longitudinal axis, an elongate length, a first or front waistband region (30), a second or back waistband region (30), and an intermediate region interconnecting the first and waistband regions. The absorbent article includes a garment shell (42) and a liquid control member (44). The liquid control member has a first or front stationary zone (70) bonded to an inner surface of the first waistband region, an opposite second or back stationary zone (71) bonded to the inner surface in the second waistband region, and an elasticized zone (72). The elasticized zone is formed of a liquid permeable material and is adapted to contract at least 10 percent of the elongate length to remain in contact with the urethral region of the wearer regardless of the position or movements of the wearer. The elasticized zone is unadhered to the inner surface of the garment shell.

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