

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative CARROLL of Gray.

Cosponsored by Representative BURKE of Vassalboro, Representative LISNIK of Presque Isle and Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

**Resolve, Creating a Pilot Emergency Transfer System for Neonates,
Other Children and "At-risk" Pregnant Women.**



2 Provides funds for program advertising and
contracted services. Totals include
4 contractor purchase of specially equipped
ambulance, portable communications equipment
6 and other start-up costs.

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FISCAL NOTE

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This resolve will require an estimated General Fund
appropriation in the amount of \$110,800 to the Department of
14 Human Services in fiscal year 1991-92 in order to conduct the
pilot system for a 2-year period. This resolve provides funds
16 for the first year only.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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The intent of this resolve is to establish a pilot rapid
response, high quality emergency transportation system for
24 neonates, other children and "at-risk" pregnant women throughout
the State. A hospital with expertise in these areas, in
26 cooperation with air and ground transport organizations, would
receive calls via a toll-free "800" number and would deploy
28 specialists to the patient's location, anywhere in the State.
Since the ambulance would arrive with specialists on board, the
30 patient would receive state-of-the-art treatment as soon as
possible, and sending facilities would not need to use their
32 staff for transport.