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House of Representatives, January 3, 2018

An Act To Ensure Sustainable Health Care Access in the Jackman Region

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

R(+ B. Hunt

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative GRIGNON of Athens.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ESPLING of New Gloucester, FARRIN of Norridgewock, HARRINGTON of Sanford, ORDWAY of Standish, Senators: CARSON of Cumberland, WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

1 2	Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
3	Whereas, health care access is an integral part of health care in the State; and
4 5	Whereas, the Jackman Community Health Center provides vital 24-hour medical services for the northern Somerset County region; and
6 7	Whereas, the Jackman Community Health Center's financial situation puts these services at risk; and
8 9	Whereas, without these medical services many of the most vulnerable residents would no longer be able to remain in the region; and
10 11 12 13	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,
14	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
15 16	Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.
17	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
18	Office of MaineCare Services 0129
19 20	Initiative: Provides funding for health care access at the Jackman Community Health Center.
21 22 23 24	GENERAL FUND2017-182018-19All Other\$495,000\$0
2 4 25	GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$495,000 \$0
26 27	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.
28	SUMMARY
29 30	This bill appropriates \$495,000 to the Jackman Community Health Center to ensure sustainable health care access in the Jackman region.