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Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 113: Assisted Housing Programs Licensing Rule, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by Representative MEYER of Eliot for the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council.

Received by the Clerk of the House on March 7, 2025. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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Clerk

1 Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not 2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and 3 Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires 4 legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by 5 the agency; and 6 Whereas, a major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature outside the legislative rule acceptance period; and 7 8 Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's 9 position on final adoption of the rule; and 10 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within 11 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as 12 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 13 therefore, be it 14 Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved: That final adoption of Chapter 113: Assisted Housing Programs Licensing Rule, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the 15 Department of Health and Human Services that has been submitted to the Legislature for 16 17 review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A outside the legislative rule acceptance period, is authorized. 18 19 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation 20 takes effect when approved. SUMMARY 21 22 This resolve provides for legislative review of Chapter 113: Assisted Housing Programs Licensing Rule, a major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human 23 24 Services that was filed outside the legislative rule acceptance period.