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House of Representatives, February 10, 2026

**Resolve, to Direct the Department of Health and Human Services to
Develop Innovative Models for the Delivery of Dental Services to
Expand Access to Oral Health Care Throughout the State**

Reported by Representative MATHIESON of Kittery for the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services pursuant to Resolve 2025, chapter 107, section 8.

Reference to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Handwritten signature of Robert B. Hunt in cursive.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

1 programs in the State, especially for pediatric dentists, oral surgeons and orthodontists. The
2 bill requires the department to invite the participation of stakeholders, including, but not
3 limited to, representatives from the University of New England College of Dental
4 Medicine, the Maine Public Health Association, the Board of Dental Practice, the Maine
5 Dental Association and the Maine Dental Hygienists' Association. The bill requires the
6 department to submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including
7 suggested legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
8 over health coverage, insurance and financial services matters and the joint standing
9 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters
10 no later than February 15, 2027 and authorizes each joint standing committee to report out
11 legislation to the 133rd Legislature in 2027.