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BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES  
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ENACTED

<u>ID</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	<u>(COMMITTEE REPORT) DISPOSITION</u>
1841	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE MAINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TREATMENT ACT OF 1982 WITH RESPECT TO TRANSPORTATION OF NURSING HOME RESIDENTS	Bustin	OTIP-ND ID 2293

SUMMARY: The intent of the bill was to allow nursing homes to transport residents for non-medical purposes, without having to be licensed as ambulances. However, the limiting conditions were not specified in the bill.

The Committee agreed to specify these conditions, and did so in a new draft, ID 2293.

1843	AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSURE APPROPRIATE PLACE- MENT AND SERVICE PROVISION TO STATE-ASSISTED RESIDENTS OF BOARDING HOMES AND ADULT FOSTER HOMES	Bustin	OTIP-ND ID 2388
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SUMMARY: At the hearing, a redraft of LD 1843 was presented; it had a lower appropriation, and specified a requirement for an assessment to be performed before a person eligible for state assistance for boarding home care or foster care was admitted to such a facility. The assessment would be performed by the Department of Human Services who, together with the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, would report biennially to the Health & Institutional Services Committee.

The proposal for an assessment system came from the 1981-82 Boarding Home Study Committee, and was endorsed by the 1983 Blaine House Conference on Aging. The mild opposition came from people concerned about the cost of the bill, and possible duplication of effort.