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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 428

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Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Curtis of Penobscot.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT** Redesignating the Department of Health and Welfare as the Department of Human Services and the Bureau of Human Services as the Bureau of Resource Development.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1.** 22 MRSA § 1, first sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 793, § 1, is amended to read:

The Department of ~~Health and Welfare~~ **Human Services**, as heretofore established and hereinafter in this Title called the "department" shall consist of such bureaus and divisions as may be required to carry out the work of the department.

**Sec. 2.** 22 MRSA § 1, 2nd ¶, first sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 793, § 1, is amended to read as follows:

The department shall be under the control and supervision of the Commissioner of ~~Health and Welfare~~ **Human Services**, hereinafter in this Title called the "commissioner" who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council, for a term coterminous with the Governor, subject to removal for cause by the Governor and Council.

**Sec. 3.** 22 MRSA § 5308, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 793, § 12, is amended to read:

There shall be within the Department of ~~Health and Welfare~~ **Human Services** the Bureau of ~~Human Services~~ **Resource Development**.

**Sec. 4. Amendatory clause.** Wherever in the Maine Revised Statutes the words "Department of Health and Welfare" appear, they shall mean the

“Department of Human Services.” Wherever in the Maine Revised Statutes the words “Commissioner of Health and Welfare” appear, they shall mean the “Commissioner of Human Services.”

**Sec. 5. Amendatory clause.** Wherever in the Maine Revised Statutes the words “Bureau of Human Services” appear, they shall mean the “Bureau of Resource Development.”

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to change the name of the Department of Health and Welfare to the Department of Human Services and the Bureau of Human Services to the Bureau of Resource Development.