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STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE**

**AN ACT Authorizing and Directing the Department of Health and Welfare
to Propose Certificate of Need Legislation.**

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

Preparation of proposed Certificates of Need legislation. The Bureau of Health of the Department of Health and Welfare is directed to prepare proposed legislation relating to the issuance of Certificates of Need, as defined in the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-641), to hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies and other institutional health care providers for the construction of new facilities or major structural alterations, additions or changes in services.

The bureau shall consult with institutional providers of health care services and 3rd party payors, including the Maine Hospital Association and Maine Blue Cross and Blue Shield, health care planning agencies and other interested persons in the preparation of such proposed legislation.

The bureau shall conduct public hearings, review written and verbal testimony or information and obtain necessary consultation in conjunction with such activity.

The bureau shall file with the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Institutional Services periodic reports, at least once each 90 days, advising the committee as to progress in this activity.

A final report of the bureau shall be submitted to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Institutional Services no later than the commencement of the regular session of the 108th Legislature.