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# (EMERGENCY) FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

#### ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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H. P. 2269

House of Representatives, April 1, 1976
Reported by Mr. Goodwin from Committee on Health and Institutional
Services pursuant to H. P. 2014 and printed under Joint Rules No. 3.

EDWIN H. PERT. Clerk

(Pursuant to H. P. 2014 to Joint Rule 3.)

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX

RESOLVE, to Require the Department of Human Services to Reopen the Itinerant Office in Belfast.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, H. P. 2014, on Order, required the Committee on Health and Institutional Services to conduct a study of the effect on the Belfast area of the closing of the Belfast office of the Department of Human Services and to make recommendations including legislation; and

Whereas, the committee has found that the closing of the Belfast office has had an adverse effect on services for the department's clients in the Belfast area; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Belfast office reopened. RESOLVED: That the Department of Human Services is directed to reopen an office in the Belfast area for departmental staff, including, but not limited to, public health nurses, food stamp workers and vocational rehabilitation workers; and be it further

Resolved: That the Department of Human Services is directed to provide the necessary equipment for this office; and be it further

Resolved: That there is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$45,000 to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this resolve is reflected in the emergency preamble.