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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 108TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. S-432)

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 652, L.D. 2013, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Certificate of Need."

Amend the Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following:

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

Whereas, the National Health Planning Act of 1974 and its accompanying regulations require the State to implement a certificate of need program by July 1, 1978, or be subject to the loss of federal funds for health planning as well as other purposes; and

Whereas, this bill may not become effective until after July 1, 1978, if it is not enacted as an emergency; and

Whereas, the loss of federal funds might severely restrict the State's efforts in health planning; 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,'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line after the enacting clause the following: 'Sec. 1.' Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act:

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All Other

\$60,000

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the reamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to add the appropriation agreed upon by the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Institutional Services in its study of Certificate of Need. The provision for the appropriation was inadvertantly left out of the bill. The amendment also adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

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