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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-729)
109TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1087,
L.D. 1343, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide a Grant to Community Health
Services, Inc., for a Long-term Demonstration Project."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the title and inserting
in its place the following: 'AN ACT to Provide Grants to
Community Health Services for a Long-term Demonstration Project.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out everything after
the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Appropriation. The following funds shall be
appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes
of this Act.

1979-80

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Community and home health agencies

All Other \$100,000

Funds appropriated by this Act shall be used to provide grants to at least 4 existing certified community and home health agencies in Maine, 2 in rural areas and 2 in urban areas if accepted proposals are submitted, to be matched by federal funds under the United States Social Security Act, Title XIX and other federal grant programs, in order that they may demonstrate in their area of the State the relative cost of providing expanded home health services to persons in need of long-term care at home as a less costly alternative to institutional care. No agency match shall be necessary.

Sec. 2. Eligibility standards. The Commissioner of Human Services shall establish eligibility standards which shall be used to determine in which areas the program shall be established and which agencies within those areas shall receive grants.

Sec. 3. Report. The Commissioner of Human Services shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Institutional Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reports evaluating the effectiveness of these programs and his recommendations as to future actions prior to the end of the second regular session of the 109th Legislature.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to insure that the moneys are expended for providing services through existing health care agencies rather than creating new programs.