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L.D. 1664

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1251,  
L.D. 1664, "RESOLVE, to Establish a Maine Commission  
to Examine the Availability, Quality and Delivery of  
Mental Health Services for Children."

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Amend the resolve by striking out all of the  
title and inserting in its place the following:  
'RESOLVE, to Establish a Maine Commission to Examine  
the Availability, Quality and Delivery of Services  
Provided to Children with Special Needs.'

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Further amend the resolve in the 10th paragraph  
after the title in the 3rd line (page 2, line 32 in  
L.D.) by striking out the words "Mental Health Ser-  
vices for Children" and inserting in their place the  
following: 'Services Provided to Children with Spe-  
cial Needs'

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Further amend the resolve in the 10th paragraph  
after the title in the 12th line (page 2, line 41 in  
L.D.) by inserting after the word "superintendent"  
the words 'of schools'

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Further amend the resolve by inserting after the  
10th paragraph after the title the following:

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'Resolved: That the commission will examine the  
current mechanisms for identifying and following  
children with special psychological, emotional and  
behavioral needs; identify major gaps in the provi-  
sion of services to these children; examine the cur-  
rent mechanisms used by the Department of Human Ser-  
vices, the Department of Educational and Cultural  
Services, the Department of Corrections and the  
Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to  
plan for and provide services to children; and, based  
on findings, establish priorities for legislative ac-

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1 tion; and be it further'

2 Further amend the resolve in the 6th paragraph  
3 from the end before the statement of fact by insert-  
4 ing after the word "states" in the 5th line (page 3,  
5 line 23 in L.D.) the punctuation ',' and by striking  
6 out in the 7th and 8th lines (lines 25 and 26 in  
7 L.D.) the words "and to prepare a report and any ac-  
8 companying legislation for" and inserting in their  
9 place the following: 'and to prepare a report which  
10 shall be distributed throughout the State and submit-  
11 ted, together with any accompanying legislation, to'

12 Further amend the resolve in the 4th paragraph  
13 from the end before the statement of fact by insert-  
14 ing after the word "assistance" in the 2nd line (page  
15 3, line 34 in L.D.) the following: 'and pertinent  
16 existing information about problems and services'

17 STATEMENT OF FACT

18 In the title and the name of the commission, the  
19 phrase "Mental Health Services for Children" is  
20 changed to read "Services Provided to Children with  
21 Special Needs." Those special needs are described as  
22 being special psychological, emotional and behavioral  
23 ones, and are referred to in a newly inserted  
24 resolved section which gives additional charges to  
25 the commission.

26 In the 3rd resolved section, language is added to  
27 clarify that the report is to be widely publicized  
28 and made available.

29 In the 6th resolved section, it is stipulated  
30 that the commission is to have not only assistance,  
31 but also necessary and pertinent information.

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