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1 L.D. 1424
2 (Filing No. S- 156)

3 STATE OF MAINE
4 SENATE
5 112TH LEGISLATURE
6 FIRST REGULAR SESSION

7 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 529, L.D.
8 1424, Bill, "AN ACT to Prevent the Hospital Cost Con-
9 tainment Law from Substituting for the Collective
10 Bargaining Process."

11 Amend the bill by striking out everything after
12 the enacting clause and inserting in its place the
13 following:

14 '22 MRSA §381, sub-§2, ¶C is enacted to read:

15 C. It is further the intent of the Legislature
16 that nothing in this chapter may be construed to
17 prescribe the amounts hospitals may pay for par-
18 ticular goods and services, including profession-
19 al services. Similarly, except as required by
20 the specific provisions of this chapter and rules
21 promulgated under this chapter, the decisions
22 made by hospitals regarding the amounts to be ex-
23 pended for particular goods and services shall
24 have no effect on the gross patient service reve-
25 nue limits established by the commission.'

26 STATEMENT OF FACT

27 This amendment replaces the language in the orig-
28 inal bill and makes it clear that the final authority
29 to determine how much will be spent for goods and
30 services rests with those who govern and manage hos-
31 pitals, but that their decisions will not cause the
32 amounts they are to be paid to increase or decrease,
33 except as required by the law or the commission's
34 rules.

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Reported by Senator Berube for the Committee on Human Resources.
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