

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION

### ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

S.P. 445

In Senate, April 28, 1987

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate Presented by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin, Representative CLARK of Brunswick, Representative PINES of Limestone.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

Resolve, to Promote On-site Day Care.

Day care task force established. Resolved: That the Governor shall appoint a day care task force consisting of a representative from the Governor's office, the Commissioner of Human Services or his designee, the Commissioner of Labor or his designee and the Executive Director of the Maine Health Care Finance Commission or his designee; and be it further

Duties. Resolved: That the function of the task force shall be to solicit and review proposals submitted by nursing homes and hospitals to establish day care programs at these institutions which may jointly serve the children of employees of these institutions and other specified entities, including the State.

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1 The task force shall prepare guidelines which 2 recommend any adjustments or compensation as is with-3 in the regulatory power of state agencies to make to 4 reimburse these institutions for reasonable expenses 5 related to establishment of on-site day care pro-6 grams; and be it further

7 Report. Resolved: That the task force shall sub8 mit its report, including guidelines and necessary
9 implementing legislation, to the Second Regular Ses10 sion of the 113th Legislature by January 15, 1988.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

12 The current program of reimbursement of costs for 13 hospitals and nursing homes tends to reward those institutions that make no effort to accommodate employ-ees through the provision of day care programs. By 14 15 Bv 16 enabling institutions with acceptable proposals to 17 pass legitimate costs through to the State encourages the development of on-site programs. When those pro-18 19 involve state employees, the interest of grams also 20 is particularly the State is better served. This where there are not enough state 21 true in locations 22 employees to justify the development of a program for 23 task the State alone. This resolve establishes a 24 force to review these issues and to report to the Second Regular Session of the 113th Legislature. 25

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