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S.P. 343

In Senate, March 23, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative LAPOINTE of Auburn, Senator WHITMORE of Androscoggin and Representative HANDY of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

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

Resolve, to Provide Certified Nursing Assistant Training at the Central Maine Vocational-Technical Institute.



Т	Demonstration project. Accorded. That a demonstration project
3	to provide for ladders of advancement in the nursing profession shall be conducted between the Lewiston-Auburn area long-term care facilities and the Central Maine Vocational-Technical
5	Institute.
7	This project provides funds for 16 students to receive college credit for the completion of their certified nursing
9	assistant certificate and the continuation of their nursing training.
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13	Each student is eligible to receive a maximum of 21 college credits over the one-year duration of this project.
15	Each student shall receive a reduced tuition based on the continuation of acceptable employment in one of the area's
17	long-term care facilities; and be it further
19	Results of project. Resolved: That the results of this project shall be published in a final report to be submitted to the
21	Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature by February 1, 1990. This report shall also be made available to appropriate
23	state agencies and the State's health care facilities.
25	The report to the Legislature shall include recommendations of any changes to laws and rules that are necessary to implement
27	this project on an ongoing statewide basis; and be it further
29	Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
31	this resolve.
33	1989-90
35	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
37	All Other \$40,000
39	The funds may be made available through the Special Circumstances Allowance of the
41	Department of Human Services. This appropriation is the maximum amount
43	anticipated to be needed as an offset for tuition. Those students who do not continue
45	employment in a long-term facility over the course of the project will not receive
47	tuition reimbursement.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The State is currently experiencing a severe problem of nursing availability to meet the needs for health care services in the community. This resolve creates a demonstration project to establish a curriculum of certified nursing assistant training and provides for ladders of advancement within the nursing profession. This demonstration project will be developed between member nursing homes of the Maine Health Care Association and the Central Maine Vocational-Technical Institute. Results from the project shall be reported to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over human resource matters. If the demonstration proves successful, it will be used as a model for a statewide plan.