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JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative LISNIK of Presque Isle, Representative FOSTER of Ellsworth and Representative McGOWAN of Canaan.

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Resolve, to Establish Demonstration Sites for Adult Day Care Programs for Hospital Patients Awaiting Placement in Nursing Homes.

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Sec. 1. Demonstration project. Resolved: That the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services shall award funds to local area agencies 2 on aging, to be used for the establishment of 5 demonstration sites for adult day care programs for hospital patients awaiting 4 placement in nursing homes. The day care programs will be conducted by the area agencies in conjunction with 6 local hospitals. The funding will be used to cover operational costs of the local area agencies, which will provide part-time adult 8 day coordinators for the program; and be it further

Sec. 2. Awarding of funds; criteria. Resolved: That the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services shall award funds to local area agencies on aging for the establishment of the 5 adult day care demonstration sites. In awarding these funds, the bureau shall consider, among other factors, the following criteria:

1. The number of local hospital patients currently awaiting 18 placement in nursing homes;

- 20 2. The ability of the local area agency on aging to recruit and retain an adult day coordinator with the available funds;
- 3. The willingness of the local hospital to absorb its own 24 costs associated with participation in the program; and
- 26 4. The availability of space in the hospital or in the community in which to hold adult day care activities; and be it 28 further
- 30 Sec. 3. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of 32 this resolve.
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- **38 Bureau of Elder and Adult Services**
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42 Provides funds to establish 5 demonstration sites for adult day care programs for
44 hospital patients awaiting placement in nursing homes and for operational costs of
46 the local area agency on aging, including the costs of a part-time Adult Day
48 Coordinator position.

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

There are currently a number of hospital patients that no longer require acute care, but remain in the hospital because there are an insufficient number of nursing home beds or home care services in their communities. This bill provides these patients with activities that will offer them the social interaction and stimulation that they would receive in a nursing home. The bill provides funds for the establishment of 5 demonstration sites for adult day care programs for hospital patients awaiting placement in nursing homes.

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