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House of Representatives, March 12, 1990

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative BOUTILIER of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Modify the Procedure for Establishing the Hospital Development Account Credit.

(AFTER DEADLINE)



	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	22 MRSA §396-K, sub-§3, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL
4	1985, c. 661, \$10, is amended to read:
6	A. The commission shall annually <u>by October 1st</u> establish, by rule, the amount to be credited to the Hospital
8	Development Account. In establishing the amount of the credit, the commission shall, at a minimum, consider:
10	(1) The State-Health-Plan state health plan;
12	(2) The ability of the citizens of the State to
14	underwrite the additional costs;
16	(3) The limitations imposed on payments for new facilities and services by the Federal Government
18	pursuant to the United-States <u>federal</u> Social Security Act, Title <u>Titles</u> XVIII and XIX;
20	(4) The special needs of small hospitals;
22	(5) The historic needs and experience of hospitals
24	over the past 5 years;
26	(6) The amount in the account for the previous years and the level of utilization by hospitals in those
28	years;
30	(7) Obsolescence of physical plants;
32	(8) Technological developments; and
34	(9) Management services or other improvements in the quality of care.
36	If the commission fails to set the amount to be credited by
38	October 1st, the amount credited to the Hospital Development Account is the amount that was credited to the account for
40	the previous payment year, adjusted by the economic trend

The commission shall report, no later than January 15th of each year, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over human resources regarding the rationale the commission used in establishing the amount credited to the Hospital Development Account in the previous year.

factor established for the current payment year by the

commission under section 396-D, subsection 1.

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The amount to be credited in a particular payment year cycle will—be is deemed credited to the Hospital Development Account as of the first day of that payment year cycle.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires that the Maine Health Care Finance Commission establish the amount to be credited to the Hospital Development Account by October 1st annually. If the commission has not established the amount by that date, the amount is automatically set as the amount credited in the previous payment year, adjusted by an economic trend factor.