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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
115TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 654, L.D. 928, Bill, "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1992 and June 30, 1993"

Amend the amendment by inserting at the end before the emergency clause the following:

PART K

Sec. K-1. 5 MRSA §12004-I, sub-§35-A, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 588, Pt. A, §2, is repealed.

Sec. K-2. 22 MRSA §3189, as amended by PL 1991, c. 42, §§1 to 8 and affected by §11, is repealed.

Sec. K-3. 22 MRSA §3190, sub-§2, ¶F, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 588, Pt. A, §43, is amended to read:

F. Acceptance without limits of Medicaid and ~~Maine Health Program~~ patients and uninsured persons, including public notice of appropriate sliding fee scales;

Sec. K-4. 22 MRSA §3191, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1989, c. 875, Pt. E, §41, is further amended to read:

2. Legislative intent for appropriations. Consistent with subsection 1, it is the intent of the Legislature that, with respect to appropriations from the General Fund for bienniums beginning on and after July 1, 1989, appropriations must be carried out so that the appropriation for the Hospital Uncompensated Care and Governmental Payment Shortfall Fund, established pursuant to section 396-F, subsection 4, is the amount estimated by the Maine Health Care Finance Commission to be the financial impact on Maine hospitals of the Medicaid

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2 shortfall, including Medicaid's share of bad debt and charity
3 care, ~~but no more than 1/2 the amount appropriated for services~~
4 ~~and administration of the Maine Health Program created in section~~
5 2189. For the state fiscal year 1990-91, the appropriation
6 includes 1/2 of the amount of the state share for the operation
7 of a demonstration project, if approved and received by the
8 department from the federal Department of Health and Human
9 Services pursuant to the federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation
10 Act of 1989, Public Law 101-239, Section 6407. For the purposes
11 of this section, the amount of the Medicaid shortfall for the
12 biennium beginning July 1, 1989, is deemed to be \$15,000,000
annually.

14 Sec. K-5. 24 MRSA §2349, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1989, c.
15 867, §1 and affected by §10, is amended to read:

16 A. That person was covered under an individual or group
17 contract or policy issued by any insurer, health maintenance
18 organization, nonprofit hospital or medical service
19 organization, or governmental program such as Medicaid, the
20 ~~Maine Health Program, as established in Title 22, section~~
21 ~~2189,~~ and the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the
22 Uniformed Services, 10 United States Code, Section 1072,
23 Subsection 4. For purposes of this section, the group
24 contract under which the person is seeking coverage is the
25 "succeeding contract." The group or individual contract or
26 policy that previously covered the person is the "prior
27 contract or policy"; and

30 Sec. K-6. 24-A MRSA §2849-B, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL
31 1989, c. 867, §8 and affected by §10, is amended to read:

32 A. That person was covered under an individual or group
33 contract or policy issued by any nonprofit hospital or
34 medical service organization, insurer, health maintenance
35 organization, or governmental program such as Medicaid, the
36 ~~Maine Health Program, as established in Title 22, section~~
37 ~~2189,~~ or the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the
38 Uniformed Services, 10 United States Code, Section 1072,
39 Subsection 4. For purposes of this section, the group
40 policy under which the person is seeking coverage is the
41 "succeeding policy." The group or individual contract or
42 policy that previously covered the person is the "prior
43 contract or policy"; and

PART L

48 Sec. L-1. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated
from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Part.

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	1991-92	1992-93
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4	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF	
6	Bureau of Health	
8	All Other	(\$1,200,000) (\$1,200,000)
10	Provides for the	
12	deappropriation of funds from	
14	community health grants due	
	to the elimination of the	
	Maine Health Program.	
16	Income Maintenance - Regional	
18	Positions - Legislative Count	(-17.0) (-17.0)
20	Personal Services	(\$375,000) (\$450,000)
22	Provides for the	
24	deappropriation of funds due	
26	to the elimination of the	
28	Maine Health Program to	
	include the elimination of 17	
	Human Services Aide III	
	positions.	
30	Maine Health Program	
32	All Other	(\$7,300,000) (\$7,400,000)
34	Provides for the	
36	deappropriation of funds from	
	the elimination of the Maine	
	Health Program.	
38	Medical Care Administration	
40	Positions - Legislative Count	(-3.0) (-3.0)
42	Personal Services	(\$51,457) (\$72,040)
44	All Other	(208,543) (227,960)
	Capital Expenditures	(90,000) (50,000)
46	TOTAL	(\$350,000) (\$350,000)
48	Provides for the	
50	deappropriation of funds due	
	to the elimination of the	

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2 Maine Health Program to
include the elimination of
4 one Claims Evaluator
Specialist position and one
6 Clerk Typist II position.

8 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
TOTAL (\$9,225,000) (\$9,400,000)

10 EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

12 General Purpose Aid to
14 Local Schools

16 All Other \$9,225,000 \$9,400,000

18 Provides for an increase in
funding for general purpose
20 aid to local schools.

22 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
TOTAL \$9,225,000 \$9,400,000

24 PART L-1
26 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS -0- -0-

28 Sec. L-2. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from
Federal Expenditure funds to carry out the purposes of this Part.

30 1991-92 1992-93

32 HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

34 Medical Care Administration

36 Position - Other Count (-4.0) (-4.0)
38 Personal Services (\$96,179) (\$124,650)
All Other (223,821) (220,350)
40 TOTAL (\$320,000) (\$345,000)

42 Provides for the deallocation
44 of federal matching funds due
to the elimination of the
46 Maine Health Program to
include the elimination of
48 one Medicare Consultant
position, one Programmer

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2 Analyst position, one
3 Planning and Research
4 Assistant position and one
5 Accountant II position.

6 **Income Maintenance - Regional**

8 Positions - Other Count (-17.0) (-17.0)
9 Personal Services (\$375,000) (\$450,000)

10 Provides for the deallocation
11 of federal matching funds due
12 to the elimination of the
13 Maine Health Program to
14 include the elimination of 17
15 Human Services Aide III
16 positions.

18 **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**
19 **TOTAL** (\$695,000) (\$795,000)

21 **PART I**
22 **TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS** (\$695,000) (\$795,000)

23 Further amend the amendment to reletter parts and renumber
24 sections to read consecutively.

25 **FISCAL NOTE**

26 There will be no net fiscal impact to the General Fund. The
27 amount of funds being deappropriated from the Maine Health
28 Program are appropriated to the Department of Education for
29 general purpose aid to local schools.

30 There will be a reduction in federal funds in the amount of
31 \$695,000 in fiscal year 1991-92 and \$795,000 in fiscal year
32 1992-93.

33 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

34 This amendment repeals the Maine Health Program. The
35 savings from that repeal are earmarked for General Purpose Aid
36 for Education.

37 (Senator WEBSTER)
38 SPONSORED BY: *Charles M. Webster*

39 COUNTY: Franklin

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