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L.D. 1332

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6	STATE OF MAINE
8	SENATE SENATE 115TH LEGISLATURE
10	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
12	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 494, L.D. 1332, Bill, "Ar
14	Act to Enhance Social Services and Therapeutic Patient Activities in Nursing Homes"
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18	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:
20	·22 MRSA §1812-F is enacted to read:
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	§1812-F. Hursing homes; staffing for social services and
24	<pre>patient activities</pre>
26	1. Minimum hours. The department shall approve at least
28	the following number of hours for the following services in nursing homes.
30	A. The department shall approve at least 1/2 hour per patient per week for social services.
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	B. The department shall approve at least 20 hours per week
34	in nursing homes of up to 30 beds, at least 30 hours per
	week in nursing homes of 31 to 60 beds and at least 40 hours
36	<pre>per week in nursing homes of 61 beds or more for patient activities.</pre>
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	2. Transfer of hours. The department shall approve the
40	transfer of previously approved nonnursing hours to social
43	service or patient activity hours if the transfer does not
42	increase the nursing home's per diem rate.'
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STATEMENT OF FACT

The original bill established minimum and maximum hours for social services and patient activities in nursing homes. This amendment eliminates the maximum levels and revises the minimum levels to conform with existing rules. The amendment clarifies that a nursing home may transfer other approved nonnursing hours to social services or patient activities if the transfer does not increase the nursing home's per diem rate.

Reported by Senator Conley for the Committee on Human Resources. Reproduced and Distributed Pursuant to Senate Rule 12.

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