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No. 144

H.P. 109

House of Representatives, January 17, 1995

An Act to Amend Medicaid Eligibility for Admission to Nursing Home Facilities.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative VOLENIK of Sedgwick.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, JONES of Bar Harbor, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, POVICH of Ellsworth, SAMSON of Jay, Senators: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. PL 1993, c. 410, Pt. FF, §15** is repealed.

6 **Sec. 2. Medical admission criteria.** By October 4, 1995, the
Department of Human Services shall amend the medical criteria for
admission to a nursing facility. The criteria must:

8 1. Target nursing facility admissions to applicants who can
10 not be served in less restrictive settings;

12 2. Result in applicants being advised of home and
community-based services that are available and referred to
14 services that are cost-effective and clinically appropriate; and

16 3. Reflect the same standards for medical eligibility for
admission to a nursing facility that were in effect on June 30,
18 1993.

20 **Sec. 3. Application; retroactivity.** This Act applies
retroactively to all determinations of medical eligibility for
22 admission to nursing facilities on or after July 1, 1993.

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26 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

28 This bill returns the medical criteria for admission to a
nursing home facility to the criteria that were in effect on June
30 30, 1993. It applies retroactively to all determinations of
eligibility for admission on or after July 1, 1993.
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