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No. 969

H.P. 712

House of Representatives, March 23, 1995

An Act to Ensure the Continuation of Current Hospice Services.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DORE of Auburn.
Cosponsored by Representatives: KONTOS of Windham, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senators:
HARRIMAN of Cumberland, PARADIS of Aroostook, PENDEXTER of Cumberland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8622, sub-§11** is enacted to read:

6 **11. Inpatient hospice services.** Notwithstanding subsection
8 5, any currently licensed nursing facility that offered
10 inpatient hospice services as of January 1, 1995 is eligible for
12 continued licensure as a hospice if the facility:

14 A. Does not expand its inpatient hospice services;

16 B. Continues to meet nursing facility licensing rules; and

18 C. Meets all hospice licensing standards except the
20 requirement that inpatient services be offset with a
22 specified level of in-home services.

24 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

This bill provides that a currently licensed nursing facility that offers inpatient hospice services is eligible for continued licensure as a hospice if certain conditions are met.