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H.P. 198

House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

**An Act to Require Review under the Certificate of Need Law When
Health Care Services Are Terminated.**

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MAYO of Bath.
Cosponsored by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro, Senators: LaFOUNTAIN of
York, SMALL of Sagadahoc.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §303, sub-§23 is enacted to read:**

6 23. Termination. "Termination" means the closing of a
8 health care facility and includes the relocation of a facility to
10 another municipality.

12 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §304-A, sub-§5-A is enacted to read:**

14 5-A. Termination of a health service. Any termination of a
16 health service by or on behalf of a health care facility,
18 including a hospital, that was previously offered by or on behalf
20 of the health care facility;

SUMMARY

22 This bill makes the termination of a health service by a
health care facility, including a hospital, subject to the
certificate of need law. The bill also clarifies that the
termination of a health service includes the relocation of a
health care facility to another municipality.