

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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No. 369

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H.P. 265

House of Representatives, January 14, 1999

**An Act to Increase the Amount of Income That a Resident of a Nursing  
or Residential Care Facility Who Receives Medicaid May Retain.**

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

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MENDROS of Lewiston.  
Cosponsored by Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin and  
Representatives: BRAGDON of Bangor, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, GERRY of Auburn, GILLIS  
of Danforth, GLYNN of South Portland, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, TRAHAN of Waldoboro,  
WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

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

4 **Sec. 1. Rulemaking required.** The Department of Human Services  
6 shall adopt rules amending the principles of reimbursement for  
8 nursing and residential care facilities to increase the amount of  
10 income that may be retained by the resident of a facility. The  
12 amount that may be retained by a nursing facility resident must  
be increased from \$40 to \$100. The amount that may be retained  
by a resident of a residential care facility must be increased  
from \$70 to \$120. Rules adopted pursuant to this provision are  
routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375,  
subchapter II-A.

14 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill requires the Department of Human Services to adopt  
18 rules increasing the amount of income that may be retained by  
residents of nursing and residential care facilities.