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		L.D. 1203			
2	DAME	(Filing No. C 250)			
4	DATE: May 27, 1999	(Filing No. S-359)			
6	HEALTH AN	D HUMAN SERVICES			
8	Reported by:				
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12	STA	TE OF MAINE			
14	SENATE 119TH LEGISLATURE				
16	FIRST R	EGULAR SESSION			
18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A	" to S.P. 414, L.D. 1203, Bill, "An			
20		rescription Drugs for the Elderly and			
22	Amend the bill by strik	ing out everything after the enacting			
24		ary and inserting in its place the			
26	<u>-</u>	ub-§2, as amended by PL 1983, c. 290,			
28	is repealed and the following	- ·			
30		le for participation. An individual his State at the time the application			
32		this program if the requirements of			
34		usehold income, as defined in Title			
36	36, section 6201, subse	ection 7, may not exceed 185% of the			
38	household income may ex	ceed that amount by up to 25% if the st 40% of its income on unreimbursed			
40		for prescription drugs.			
42		arm income official poverty line is			
44	involved, as	defined by the poverty guidelines in egister by the federal Department of			
46	Health and Hu	uman Services under authority of the t Reconciliation Act of 1981, Section			
48	673(2).	, Reconciliacion Act of 1981, Section			

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	(2) For the purposes of	this paragraph	, the cost
2	of drugs provided to		
	section is considered		
4	household for eligibility	determination	purposes.
6	(3) The Bureau of Reve	nue Services	shall also
	<u>determine</u> eligibility		_
8	projected household incom		
1.0	the applicant documents		
10	circumstances that alter	s the applican	it's income
12	by more than 10%.		
12	B. The individual must be 62 yea	re of ago or	older or be
14	disabled and receiving federal di		
	disability.	SONTTICA Devict	TCS GAG CO
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	C. The individual may not be rec	eiving state s	upplemental
18	income benefits.		
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20	Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §6162-A, sub-§2, as	amended by F	L 1997, c.
	643, Pt. RR, §6, is repealed and the	following enac	ted in its
22	place:		
24	2. Income. Eligibility for thi		determined
2.6	according to Title 22, section 254, subs	ection 2.	
26	Sec. 3. 36 MRSA §6162-A, sub-§6, as	. amagead has T	or 1007 a
28	528, §2, is repealed.	enacted by F	ъ 1987, С.
	out, gr, is repeated.		
30	Sec. 4. Appropriation. The following	g funds are a	ppropriated
	from the General Fund to carry out the p		
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		1999-00	2000-01
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26	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL		
36	SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
38	Bureau of Revenue Services		
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40	Positions - Legislative Count	(1.000)	(1.000)
	Personal Services	\$23,087	\$31,806
42	All Other	103,726	55,412
44	Provides funding for one Tax		
	Examiner position, effective		
46	October 1, 1999, and related		
	expenses to audit the		
48	additional applications for		
	the elderly low-cost drug		

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2	<pre>program, for additional printing and mailing costs and initial computer programming costs.</pre>		
6 8	DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES TOTAL	\$126,813	\$87,218
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12	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
	Bureau of Medical Services		
14	Parihiana I arialatina Count	(1.500)	(1.500)
16	Positions - Legislative Count Personal Services	\$43,880	\$58,505
10	All Other	11,000	5,000
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20	TOTAL	\$54,880	\$63,505
20	Provides funds for a		
22	full-time Pharmacist		
	position, a part-time Medical		
24	Care Coordinator position and		
2.6	related operating costs to		
26	support increased access to prescription drugs.		
28	prescription drugs.		
	Low-cost Drugs to Maine's Elderly		
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	All Other	\$6,030,264	\$8,683,579
32	Provides funds for the		
34	additional costs associated		
	with increased eligibility		
36	under this program.		
38	DEDADTMENT OF HUMAN CEDVICES		
30	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TOTAL	\$6,085,144	\$8,747,084
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42	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$6,211,957	\$8,834,302
44	Sec. 5. Effective date. This Act takes	effect October	1, 1999.'
46	Further amend the bill by insert	ing at the end	d before the
4.0	summary the following:		

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4	APPROPR	IATIO	NS/ALLOC	ATIONS	5				
6	Gener	al Fun	đ	-		\$6,211	. 957	\$8,834,	302
8	Cinci	ar run	u			ψ0,211	., 50,	ψο,σσι,	302
10	This	bill	includes	total	General	Fund	appro	priations	of

This bill includes total General Fund appropriations of \$6,211,957 in fiscal year 1999-00 and \$8,834,302 in fiscal year 2000-01 to fund the costs associated with the expansion of the number of persons eligible for the elderly low-cost drug program.

The Department of Human Services will incur additional administrative costs associated with this expansion of \$54,880 in fiscal year 1999-00 and \$63,505 in fiscal year 2000-01. The estimated increases in the costs to be paid by the department associated with the increased eligibility are estimated to be \$6,030,264 and \$8,683,579 in fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01,

respectively.

The Bureau of Revenue Services will incur additional administrative costs of \$126,813 and \$87,218 in fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01, respectively. These additional costs include a Tax Examiner position and related expenses to audit the additional applications for this program, the printing and postage costs of additional applications and booklets, the costs of mailing out additional cards and the additional costs for some initial computer programming.'

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SUMMARY

The amendment deletes portions of the bill that increased income eligibility for the elderly low-cost drug program above 185% of the federal poverty line and expanded the drugs covered to the full range of drugs provided in the Medicaid program. The amendment retains the provisions that increased income eligibility for the elderly low-cost drug program to 185% of the federal poverty line. It authorizes consideration of current year income in the event of a documentable change in income of more than 10% from the prior year. It contains an effective date of October 1,

44 1999. It adds an appropriation section and a fiscal note.