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APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 438, L.D. 1275, Bill, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Wage Fairness Task Force"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 7 in the last 3 lines (page 1, lines 8 to 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "at a level commensurate with wages paid to workers employed by intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation"

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1999-00	2000-01
MENTAL HEALTH, MENTAL RETARDATION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Mental Retardation Services - Community		
All Other	\$106,361	\$104,650
Provides funds for wage increases to workers employed by community mental retardation services providers.		

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Medicaid Services - Mental Retardation

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4	All Other	1,443,639	1,445,350
6	Provides funds for wage		
8	increases to workers employed		
10	by community mental		
12	retardation services		
14	providers.		
	DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,		
	MENTAL RETARDATION AND SUBSTANCE		
	ABUSE SERVICES		
	TOTAL	<u>\$1,550,000</u>	<u>\$1,550,000</u>

16 **Sec. 3. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the
18 Federal Expenditures Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

20		1999-00	2000-01
22	HUMAN SERVICES,		
24	DEPARTMENT OF		

24 **Nursing Facilities**

26	All Other	\$2,835,711	\$2,833,365
28	Provides funds for the		
30	federal share of wage		
32	increases to workers employed		
34	by community mental		
	retardation services		
	providers.'		

36 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
summary the following:

38 **FISCAL NOTE**

40		1999-00	2000-01
42	APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS		
44	General Fund	\$1,550,000	\$1,550,000
46	Other Funds	2,835,711	2,833,365

48 This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$1,550,000
in each of fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01 for the Department of

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2 Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to
implement wage increases to workers employed by community mental
4 retardation services providers. This bill also includes Federal
Expenditures Fund allocations of \$2,835,711 and \$2,833,365 in
6 fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01, respectively, for the
Department of Human Services to provide the Medicaid portion of
the wage increases.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment provides funding for wage increases to
workers employed by community mental retardation services
providers. It directs the Commissioner of Mental Health, Mental
Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to implement the wage
increases through contracts and service agreements with community
agencies. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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