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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
119TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 935, L.D. 1312, Bill, "An Act to Improve Consumers' Opportunities to Hire and Retain Personal Care Attendants"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~\$5107-G.~~" by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 1, lines 31 to 34 in L.D.)

Further amend the bill in section 2 in the 6th line (page 1, line 41 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$10" and inserting in its place the following: '\$5'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in the 7th line (page 1, line 42 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$11" and inserting in its place the following: '\$5'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in the 3rd line from the end (page 1, line 46 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$8" and inserting in its place the following: '\$5'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**1999-00**

**2000-01**

**HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Medical Care - Payments  
to Providers**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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All Other	\$1,361,145	\$2,058,415
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Provides funds for the state share of the increase in the reimbursement rates of consumer-directed personal care attendants.

**Sec. 4. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the Federal Expenditures Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF****Medical Care - Payments to Providers**

All Other	\$1,259,701	\$1,822,137
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Provides funds for the federal share of the increase in the reimbursement rates of consumer-directed personal care attendants.'

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

**FISCAL NOTE**

	<b>1999-00</b>	<b>2000-01</b>
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**APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

General Fund	\$1,361,145	\$2,058,415
Other Funds	1,259,701	1,822,137

**REVENUES**

Other Funds	\$1,259,701	\$1,822,137
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This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$1,361,145 and \$2,058,415 in fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01, respectively, for the Department of Human Services to increase the reimbursement rates of consumer-directed personal care attendants. This bill also includes Federal Expenditures Fund

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2 allocations of \$1,259,701 and \$1,822,137 in fiscal years 1999-00  
and 2000-01, respectively, for the federal share of the increase  
in the reimbursement rates.

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6 This bill requires a review of rates of reimbursement for  
consumer-directed personal care attendant services every 2 years  
beginning January 1, 2002. When the commissioner determines that  
8 an increase in one or more of the reimbursement rates is  
necessary after the review, the commissioner shall adopt routine  
10 technical rules to accomplish the increase. Conducting the  
review and the rulemaking process can be absorbed by the  
12 Department of Human Services utilizing existing budgeted  
resources. If it is determined that an increase in the  
14 reimbursement rates is needed, future additional General Fund  
appropriations and Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will be  
16 needed. These amounts can not be determined at this time.'

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SUMMARY

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22 This amendment removes a redundant budgeting provision of  
the bill. It also increases the total amount personal care  
attendants working under the 3 consumer-directed programs receive  
24 for night work by \$5 per night. This is a decrease from the rate  
proposed in the bill. The amendment also adds appropriation and  
26 allocation sections and a fiscal note to the bill.