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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1253

House of Representatives, March 10, 1999

**Resolve, to Encourage Access and Quality Care for People with  
Alzheimer's Disease in Residential Care Facilities.**

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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 COLWELL of Gardiner.  
Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and  
Representatives: BRAGDON of Bangor, BROOKS of Winterport, FULLER of Manchester,  
KANE of Saco, WILLIAMS of Orono, Senator: BENNETT of Oxford.

2       **Sec. 1. Review. Resolved:** That the Department of Human  
3       Services shall review the case mix assessment tool and  
4       reimbursement rate for residential care facilities licensed under  
5       the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 1663 or 1665 to  
6       ensure that access and quality care to persons with Alzheimer's  
7       disease or other types of dementia is maintained. The department  
8       shall conduct this review in consultation with interested parties  
9       including, but not limited to:

- 10           1. The Alzheimer's Association, Maine Chapter;
- 11           2. Legal services for the elderly;
- 12           3. The long-term care ombudsman program established in the  
13       Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 5106, subsection 11-C;  
14       and
- 15           4. Other relevant consumers and advocates for consumers and  
16       providers.
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18           The department shall report the results of its review to the  
19       Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by October  
20       1, 1999.

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22   **SUMMARY**

23           This bill requires the Department of Human Services to  
24       review the case mix assessment tool and reimbursement rate for  
25       residential care facilities to ensure access and quality care for  
26       persons with Alzheimer's disease or other types of dementia.