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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
119TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "I" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1790, L.D. 2510, Bill, "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2000 and June 30, 2001"

Amend the amendment by inserting after Part DDDD the following:

PART EEEE

Sec. EEEE-1. 22 MRSA §1718 is enacted to read:

§1718. Rulemaking required

The department shall adopt rules amending the principles of reimbursement for nursing and residential care facilities to increase the amount of income that may be retained by the resident of a facility by a "cost-of-living adjustment." The "cost-of-living adjustment" for any calendar year is the Consumer Price Index for the 12-month period ending June 30th of the preceding calendar year divided by the Consumer Price Index for the 12-month period ending June 30, 2001. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT

2		2000-01
4	<b>HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</b>	
6	<b>Medical Care - Payments to Providers</b>	
8	All Other	\$104,544
10	Provides funds to cover the	
12	costs associated with the	
14	change in the principles of	
	reimbursement for residential	
	care facilities.	
16	<b>Nursing Facilities</b>	
18	All Other	22,934
20	Provides funds for the state	
22	share to cover the costs	
24	associated with the change in	
	the principles of	
	reimbursement for nursing	
	facilities.	
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28	<b>State Supplement to Federal Supplemental Security Income</b>	
30	All Other	3,948
32	Provides funds to cover the	
34	costs associated with the	
36	change in the principles of	
	reimbursement for nursing	
	facilities.	
38	<b>DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TOTAL</b>	\$131,426
40		
42	<b>Sec. EEEE-3. Allocation.</b> The following funds are allocated	
44	from the Federal Expenditures Fund to carry out the purposes of	
	this Part.	
		2000-01
46	<b>HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</b>	
48	<b>Nursing Facilities</b>	

# HOUSE AMENDMENT

2 All Other \$44,807

4 Provides funds for the  
6 federal match to cover the  
8 costs associated with the  
change in the principles of  
reimbursement for nursing  
facilities.'

10 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any  
12 nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read  
consecutively.

14 **FISCAL NOTE**

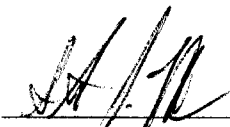
16 This amendment will increase the General Fund cost of the  
18 bill by \$131,426 in fiscal year 2000-01. It includes a General  
Fund appropriation of \$131,426 in fiscal year 2000-01 for the  
20 Department of Human Services to increase the amount of income  
that may be retained by a resident of a nursing home or  
22 residential care facility by a cost-of-living adjustment. This  
amount is based on a cost-of-living adjustment for fiscal year  
24 2000-01 of 2.5%.

26 This amendment also includes a Federal Expenditures Fund  
allocation of \$44,807 in fiscal year 2000-01 for the federal  
28 match associated with the change in the principles of  
reimbursement for nursing facilities.

30 Due to the projected General Fund unappropriated surplus at  
32 the end of the 2000-2001 biennium, a balanced budget is  
maintained for the 2000-2001 biennium.

34 **SUMMARY**

36 This amendment requires the Department of Human Services to  
38 adopt rules increasing annually the amount of income that may be  
40 retained by residents of nursing and residential care facilities  
by the cost of living. It also includes an appropriation and an  
42 allocation.

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46 SPONSORED BY:   
(Representative MENDROS)

48 TOWN: Lewiston

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