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House of Representatives, January 18, 2001

## An Act to Expand the Elderly Low-cost Drug Program to Cover Overthe-counter Drugs.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative MENDROS of Lewiston. Cosponsored by Senator LEMONT of York and Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, ASH of Belfast, CRESSEY of Baldwin, GLYNN of South Portland, MARLEY of Portland, NUTTING of Oakland, Senators: McALEVEY of York, SAWYER of Penobscot.

|    | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:  |
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| 2  | Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §254, sub-§1, ¶B, as amended by PL 1999, c.  |
| 4  | 531, Pt. F, §1 and affected by §2, is further amended to read:   |
| б  | B. In the supplemental component of the program, drugs and medications must include all prescription drugs and   |
| 8  | medications provided under the Medicaid program under this<br>Title with-the-exception-of and over-the-counter medications   |
| 10 | for medical conditions and diseases when the prescribing<br>health care provider states in writing that the medication   |
| 12 | is medically indicated for the medical condition or<br>disease. The supplemental component of the program does not   |
| 14 | <u>include</u> drugs and medications provided by the basic<br>component of the program under paragraph A;  |
| 16 | component of the program under paragraph A,  |
| 18 | SUMMARY  |
| 20 | This bill adds to the supplemental component of the elderly  |
| 22 | low-cost drug program over-the-counter medications when the<br>prescribing health care provider states in writing that the<br>medication is medically indicated for the medical condition or |
| 24 | disease.   |

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