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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
120TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 328, L.D. 418, Bill, "An Act to Promote Efficiency in the Provision of Administrative Services for Child Care Providers"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

2001-02

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Purchased Social Services

All Other \$90,000

Provides one-time funding for a pilot project to divide the State into 3 regions and award incentive grants to encourage partnerships among a minimum of 3 child care providers to promote efficiency in the provision of administrative services such as filing reports, allocation of subsidized child care slots, payroll and

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2 insurance. The department
3 shall contract with an entity
4 outside the department to
5 perform the request for
6 proposal and grant award
7 process, for which the
8 contractor may be compensated
9 by not more than 5% of the
10 total amount appropriated by
11 this Act.'

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

14 **FISCAL NOTE**

15 **2001-02**

16 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

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20 General Fund \$90,000

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22 This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$90,000
23 in fiscal year 2001-02 for the Community Services Center (Audit,
24 Contracting and Licensing Service Center) within the Department
25 of Human Services to develop a pilot project to encourage
26 partnerships among child care providers to promote efficiency in
27 the provision of administrative services. Generally, this type
28 of funding flows through the Purchased Social Services program.

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30 The Department of Human Services will incur some minor
31 additional costs to contract with an entity outside of the
32 department to perform the request for proposal and grant award
33 process. These costs can be absorbed within the department's
34 existing budgeted resources.'

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37 **SUMMARY**

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39 This amendment clarifies that a contractor outside of the
40 Department of Human Services must perform the request for
41 proposal and grant award process. The contractor's compensation
42 is capped at 5% of the \$90,000 appropriated for the pilot
43 project. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.
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