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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. 347, L.D. 437, "Resolve, to Clarify the Principles of Reimbursement for Nursing Facilities"

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Principles of reimbursement for nursing facilities. Resolved: That the Department of Human Services shall adopt rules regarding reimbursement for nursing facilities to incorporate the supplemental staff payment of \$1,336,000 appropriated in Public Law 1999, chapter 731, Pt. BBBB, section 16 into the per diem rate. The department shall verify at the annual audit that these funds have been distributed as directed to direct care. Rules adopted pursuant to this section take effect July 1, 2002. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are major substantive rules as defined by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A; and be it further

Sec. 2. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

Table with 3 columns: Description, 2001-02, 2002-03. Row 1: HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF Nursing Facilities. Row 2: All Other, \$1,106,954, \$1,159,166

2 Provides funds to restore
3 funding for minimum staffing
4 ratios in long-term care
5 facilities to the level
6 appropriated in Public Law
7 1999, chapter 731, Part BBBB,
8 section 16.

10 **Sec. 3. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the
11 Federal Expenditures Fund to carry out the purposes of this
12 resolve.

14 2001-02 2002-03

16 **HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**
18 **Nursing Facilities**

20 All Other \$2,193,938 \$2,309,314

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24 federal match to restore
25 funding for minimum staffing
26 ratios in long-term care
27 facilities to the level
28 appropriated in Public Law
29 1999, chapter 731, Part BBBB,
30 section 16.

32 Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the
33 summary the following:

34 **FISCAL NOTE**

36 2001-02 2002-03

38 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

40 General Fund \$1,106,954 \$1,159,166
42 Other Funds 2,193,938 2,309,314

2 REVENUES

4 Other Funds \$2,193,938 \$2,309,314

6 This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$1,106,954
8 and \$1,159,166 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03, respectively,
10 for the Nursing Facilities program within the Department of Human
12 Services to amend its rules of reimbursement to incorporate the
14 supplemental staff payment of \$1,335,000, appropriated in Public
Law 1999, chapter 731, Part BBBB, section 16 to increase the
minimum staffing ratios in long-term care facilities, into the
per diem rate.

16 Legislative Document 300, as amended, the "current services"
budget, includes General Fund appropriations of \$229,045 and
18 \$176,834 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03, respectively, to
continue the funding of minimum staffing ratios at long-term care
20 facilities.'

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SUMMARY

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26 This amendment clarifies the provisions of the resolve and
adds appropriation and allocation sections and also adds a fiscal
note to the resolve.