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House of Representatives, February 1, 2001

Resolve, to Clarify the Principles of Reimbursement for Nursing Facilities.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, DUGAY of Cherryfield, KANE of Saco, LOVETT of Scarborough, MAILHOT of Lewiston, Speaker SAXL of Portland, SCHNEIDER of Durham, Senator: MITCHELL of Penobscot.

Sec. 1. Principles of reimbursement for nursing facilities. Resolved:

2 That the Department of Human Services shall adopt rules regarding
reimbursement for nursing facilities to incorporate supplemental
4 staff payment into the per diem rate. The department shall
verify at the annual audit that these funds have been distributed
6 as directed to direct care staff in accordance with Public Law
1999, chapter 731, Part BBBB. Rules adopted pursuant to this
8 section take effect July 1, 2002. Rules adopted pursuant to this
section are major substantive rules as defined by the Maine
10 Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

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SUMMARY

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This resolve directs the Department of Human Services to
16 amend its rules to incorporate supplemental staff payment into
the per diem rate for nursing facilities and to verify at the
18 annual audit that these funds have been distributed as directed.