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H.P. 351

House of Representatives, February 1, 2001

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Resolve, to Expand Access to Certified Nursing Assistant Training Programs.

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

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester.
Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and
Representatives: MADORE of Augusta, MAILHOT of Lewiston, NASS of Acton, O'BRIEN
of Augusta, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: CARPENTER of York.

- Sec. 1. Expanding access to certified nursing assistant training programs. Resolved: That, by November 1, 2001, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Education and the State Board of Nursing shall amend their policies, procedures, forms and any other necessary documents to permit the following practices for students applying for or currently enrolled in the Department of Education and the State Board of Nursing's prescribed curriculum for nursing assistant training programs:
- 10 1. A student's employer may pay the full cost of the nursing assistant training program;
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- 2. A student's employer may pay the student for the time 14 the student spends fulfilling the requirements of the nursing assistant program; and
- 3. A student may be employed by the clinical training site 18 or any other health care facility during the nursing assistant training course as long as the student is not employed as a 20 nursing assistant and does not provide direct patient care in the course of that employment; and be if further
 - Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Department of Human Services, the Department of Education and the State Board of Nursing shall report the amendments required pursuant to section one of this resolve to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than November 1, 2001.

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32 This resolve expands access to certified nursing assistant training programs by requiring the Department of Human Services, the Department of Education and the State Board of Nursing to 34 expand their policies, procedures, forms and any other necessary 36 documents to allow a student's employer to pay the full cost of the program, allow a student's employer to pay the student for 38 time spent taking classes and to allow a student to be employed by the clinical training site or any other health care facility 40 This resolve also during nursing assistant training courses. requires the Department of Human Services, the Department of 42 Education and the State Board of Nursing to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by November 1, 44 2001.