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L.D. 619

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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. 479, L.D. 619, "Resolve, to Provide Adequate Patient Care Staffing for Certain Home Care Programs"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Contract provisions. Resolved: That, beginning January 1, 2002, all contracts for home care services entered into by the Department of Human Services for the home-based care program, the Medicaid waiver program and private duty nursing and personal care services programs must contain provisions to ensure that adequate patient care staffing is provided. The provisions must include an extra \$1 per hour in pay for staff providing patient care and audit mechanisms to ensure that the funding is used for those purposes; 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.

	2001-02	2002-03
HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Medical Care - Payments to Providers		
All Other	\$566,135	\$1,196,090

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2 Provides funds for a pay
4 increase of \$1 per hour for
6 direct care workers in the
8 Medicaid waiver, private duty
nursing, personal care
services and home-based care
programs.

10 **Long Term Care - Human
12 Services**

14 All Other 588,489 1,247,596

16 Provides funds for a pay
18 increase of \$1 per hour for
20 direct care workers in the
22 Medicaid waiver, private duty
nursing, personal care
services and home-based care
programs.

24 **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
SERVICES
TOTAL**

\$1,154,624 \$2,443,686

; and be it further

28 **Sec. 3. Allocation. Resolved:** That the following funds are
30 allocated from the Federal Expenditures Fund to carry out the
32 purposes of this resolve.

2001-02 2002-03

34 **HUMAN SERVICES,
36 DEPARTMENT OF**

38 **Medical Care - Payments
to Providers**

40 All Other \$1,122,056 \$2,382,874

42 Allocates funds for the
44 federal match for a pay
46 increase of \$1 per hour for
48 direct care workers in the
50 Medicaid waiver, private duty
nursing, personal care
services and home-based care
programs.

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2	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN		
	SERVICES		
4	TOTAL	<u>\$1,122,056</u>	<u>\$2,382,874</u>

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

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FISCAL NOTE

	2001-02	2002-03
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12 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

14	General Fund	\$1,154,624	\$2,443,686
16	Other Funds	1,122,056	2,382,874

18 **REVENUES**

20	Other Funds	\$1,122,056	\$2,382,874
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22 This resolve includes General Fund appropriations of
\$1,154,624 and \$2,443,686 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03,
24 respectively, for the Department of Human Services to provide for
a pay increase of \$1 per hour for direct care workers in the
26 Medicaid waiver program, the private duty nursing and personal
care services programs and the home-based care program beginning
28 January 1, 2002.

30 This resolve includes Federal Expenditures Fund allocations
of \$1,122,056 and \$2,382,874 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03,
32 respectively, for the federal match.'

34 **SUMMARY**

36 This amendment deletes from the resolve reference to
38 employment benefits. It provides for a pay increase of \$1 per
hour for direct care workers in the Medicaid waiver program, the
40 private duty nursing and personal care services programs and the
home-based care program beginning January 1, 2002. It adds an
42 appropriation section, an allocation section and a fiscal note to
the resolve.

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