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House of Representatives, February 13, 2001

An Act to Convert Hospital Administrative District No. 1 to a Nonprofit, Nonstock Private Corporation.

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

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Presented by Representative CARR of Lincoln. Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CLARK of Millinocket, HASKELL of Milford.

| | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: |
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| 2 | Sec. 1. P&SL 1967, c. 58, §1-A is enacted to read: |
| 4 6 | Sec. 1-A. Conversion. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, Hospital Administrative District No. 1, referred to in this Act as the "district," which operates Penobscot Valley |
| 8 | Hospital, is authorized to merge, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-B, chapter 9 with and into a nonprofit, |
| 10 | nonstock private corporation, without members, referred to in this Act as the "surviving corporation." Notwithstanding the |
| 12 | Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-B, section 102, subsection 4, paragraph C, the district is deemed to be a domestic corporation |
| 14 | for purposes of the merger. |
| 16 | The merger may occur only if the trustees of the district approve the merger and if all the indebtedness of the district is |
| 18 | paid or adequate provision for the payment of that indebtedness is made, including, without limitation, the assumption of |
| 20 | liabilities and indebtedness of the district by the surviving corporation in the merger. No other vote of the district or of |
| 22 | any town that is a member of the district, or the inhabitants of either, is required for the merger. |
| 24 | The Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13, section 3062 does not |
| 26 | apply to the merger authorized in this section. |
| 28 | In the merger: |
| 30 | 1. The assets and liabilities of the district become assets and liabilities of the surviving corporation and the separate |
| 32 | corporate existence of the district ceases; |
| 34 | 2. The articles of incorporation and bylaws of the nonprofit, nonstock corporation become the articles of |
| 36 | incorporation and bylaws of the surviving corporation; |
| 38 | 3. Except for this section, this chapter has no further force or effect; |
| 40 | 4. All employees of the district become employees of the |
| 42 | surviving corporation and employees may not be terminated solely by virtue of the merger; |
| 44 | 5. The directors and officers of the surviving corporation |
| 46 | are the persons who were directors and officers of the private, nonprofit, nonstock corporation formed for the purpose of the |
| 48 | merger; and |

| | 6. The surviving corporation shall confirm that it |
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| 2 | continues to recognize the union that represents the district's |
| | employees, immediately on the effective date of the merger. |
| 4 | After the merger is effected, the union and the surviving |
| | corporation shall negotiate to replace or modify the existing |
| 6 | contract to reflect the status of the surviving corporation as a |
| | private nonprofit entity, as they may mutually agree. |
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| | SUMMARY |
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| | This bill allows Hospital Administrative District No. 1, |
| 14 | which operates Penobscot Valley Hospital, to convert by merger |
| | into a private nonprofit, nonstock corporation. |
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