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Resolve, to Require Medicaid Reimbursement for Independent Living Services and Skills Training Provided to Nursing Facility Residents Returning to the Community.

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

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative SCHNEIDER of Durham.

Sec. 1. Medicaid reimbursement for independent living services. Resolved: That the Department of Human Services shall adopt rules to amend its state plan to provide Medicaid reimbursement to providers of independent living services who provide services to nursing facility residents who have established a plan for relocating back to the community. Reimbursed services must be provided by licensed medical professionals, including, but not limited to, registered nurses, registered occupational therapists and certified occupational therapy assistants. Independent living services include, but are not limited to, outreach, assessment, skills training and case management. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Human Services to adopt rules to amend its state plan to provide Medicaid reimbursement to licensed independent living specialists who provide independent living services to nursing facility residents who have established a plan for relocating back to the community.