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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 706, L.D. 921, "Resolve, to Create a State-run Pharmacy Benefits Manager"

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Pharmacy benefits management. Resolved: That the Department of Human Services is authorized to undertake the functions of pharmacy benefits management; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by January 15, 2002, the Department of Human Services shall submit a report and any necessary legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. This report must include any information regarding any actions taken by the department with regard to the functions of pharmacy benefits management. The report must also include recommendations for future action by the department.'

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

FISCAL NOTE

This resolve authorizes the Department of Human Services to undertake the functions of pharmacy benefits management. For the purpose of this fiscal note, it is assumed that the department will only undertake these functions if there are funds available within the department's existing budgeted resources.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2 The Department of Human Services will incur some minor
3 additional costs to report to the Joint Standing Committee on
4 Health and Human Services on actions taken with regard to the
5 functions of pharmacy benefits management and recommendations for
6 future action by the department. These costs can be absorbed
7 within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

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SUMMARY

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13 This amendment amends the resolve by authorizing the
14 Department of Human Services to undertake the functions of
15 pharmacy benefits management. It requires the department to
16 report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human
17 Services regarding any actions taken by the department with
18 regard to the functions of pharmacy benefits management. The
19 report must include recommendations for future action by the
20 department and information on necessary action by the
Legislature. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the
resolve.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT