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House of Representatives, January 23, 2003

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**Resolve, To Require Electronic Transmission of Prior Authorization  
Requests in the MaineCare Program**

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

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative MARRACHÉ of Waterville.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: GOODWIN of Pembroke, NORBERT of Portland,  
PARADIS of Frenchville, PERRY of Calais, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, SMITH of Van Buren,  
TARDY of Newport.

2           **Sec. 1. Rules. Resolved:** That the Department of Human  
3 Services shall adopt rules by January 1, 2004 that establish a  
4 program that will allow the department to accept and transmit  
5 electronically prior authorization requests for services under  
6 the MaineCare program. Rules adopted pursuant to this resolve  
7 are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised  
8 Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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#### SUMMARY

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13           This resolve requires the Department of Human Services to  
14 adopt rules that establish a program that gives the department  
15 the capability of receiving and responding electronically to  
16 requests for services under the MaineCare program from physician  
offices.