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10	STATE OF MAINE SENATE
12	121ST LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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22	'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after
24	adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
26	Whereas, the early years of a child's development are critical; and
28	Whereas the appropriate staff shild ratio and maximum group
30	Whereas, the appropriate staff-child ratio and maximum group size in child care facilities are crucial to the development of young children; and
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	Whereas, this resolve establishes a task force to develop
34	recommendations regarding staff-child ratios and maximum group size in child care facilities, leading to adoption of rules next
36	year; and
38	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
40	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
42	safety; now, therefore, be it'

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

SENATE AMENDMENT

Approved: 06/12/03



121st Maine Legislature Office of Fiscal and Program Review

LD 732

An Act To Change Child-to-staff Ratios in Child Care Centers

LR 1632(04)

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment 'A' to Committee Amendment 'A'

Sponsor: Sen. Gagnon Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium savings - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment reduces the legislative cost of the study by \$315 in fiscal year 2003-04. The projected legislative cost for 3 legislators to participate as members of the advisory task force are \$1,260 in fiscal year 2003-04. These costs will be funded through the Legislature's study budget.