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House of Representatives, March 12, 2003

Resolve, Directing the Department of Human Services To Adopt Rules To Reduce Regulatory Burdens on Home Health Agencies

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

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Presented by Representative KANE of Saco.
Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and
Representatives: BRANNIGAN of Portland, Speaker COLWELL of Gardiner, COWGER of
Hallowell, LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford, O'NEIL of Saco, RICHARDSON of
Brunswick.

Sec. 1. Adopt rules. Resolved: That, by January 1, 2004, the Department of Human Services shall amend the rules regarding medical assessment for long-term care services reimbursed under the MaineCare program as they pertain to assessments for home health care services. The new rules must streamline the assessment process for home health care services, eliminate unnecessary regulatory burdens and utilize as much as possible appropriate assessment mechanisms being used for other purposes or programs. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

14 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Human Services to amend the rules regarding medical assessment for long-term care services reimbursed under the MaineCare program as they pertain to assessments for home health care services in order to streamline the process, eliminate unnecessary regulatory burdens and utilize appropriate assessment mechanisms being used for other purposes or programs. The rules are routine technical rules.