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2	L.D. 1284
2	DATE: 5/31/5 (Filing No. H-569)
4 6	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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10	Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.
12 14 16	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 122ND LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " ${\cal A}$ " to H.P. 881, L.D. 1284, "Resolve,
20	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "" to H.P. 881, L.D. 1284, "Resolve, To Provide Increased MaineCare Reimbursement Rates to Physicians with High Ratios of MaineCare Patients"
22	Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting
24	the following:
26	'Resolve, Regarding Increased Reimbursement for Physicians Caring for MaineCare Members'
28	Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1
30	and inserting in its place the following:
32	'Sec. 1. Development of standards. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall convene a working
34	group of interested parties to develop standards for the distribution of \$3,000,000 in funding appropriated to the
36	MaineCare program for physician incentive payments for increased reimbursement for caring for MaineCare members. In developing
38	the standards, the working group shall consider increased reimbursement based on the number of MaineCare members cared for
40	by the physician, the need for increased access to specialty services and incentives to encourage physicians to increase the
42	number of MaineCare members cared for in the physicians' practices. The department shall report to the Joint Standing
44	Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2006 on the standards selected by the working group for distribution of the
46	\$3,000,000 in increased physician incentive payment funding.

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### **SUMMARY**

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This amendment replaces the resolve and changes the title. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a working group to develop standards for the distribution of \$3,000,000 in increased physician incentive payment funding in the MaineCare program and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2006.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

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## 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1284

LR 1489(02)

Resolve, to Provide Increased MaineCare Reimbursement Rates to Physicians with High Ratios of MaineCare Patients

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"
Committee: Health and Human Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - General Fund

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services can be absorbed by the department utilizing existing budgetary resources.