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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 899, L.D. 1302, "Resolve, Establishing The Task Force To Study Cervical Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of sections 2, 3 and 4 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 2. Task force membership. Resolved: That the task force consists of the following 16 voting members:

1. Four members appointed by the President of the Senate as follows:

- A. One member of the Senate;
B. One representative of a women's health organization;
C. One communications consultant; and
D. One representative of the American Academy of Pediatrics;

2. Five members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as follows:

- A. Two members of the House of Representatives;
B. One representative of the American Cancer Society who is an oncologist;
C. One representative of the health insurance industry; and
D. One representative of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists;

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- 2           3. Five members appointed by the Governor as follows:
- 4           A. One representative of the American Academy of Family  
6           Physicians;
- 8           B. One licensed registered nurse;
- 10          C. One representative of the Maine Medical Association or  
12          its successor;
- 14          D. One member of the Maine Osteopathic Association or its  
16          successor; and
- 18          E. One person who has survived cervical cancer;
- 20          4. The medical director of the Maine Cancer Registry or the  
22          medical director's designee; and
- 24          5. The Director of the Maine Breast and Cervical Health  
26          Program within the Department of Health and Human Services,  
28          Bureau of Health and other members of the Bureau of Health, as  
30          necessary to the work of the task force, who serve as ex officio  
32          nonvoting members of the task force.

34                When making appointments to the task force, each appointing  
36                authority shall ensure that appointees reflect the composition of  
38                the State's population with regard to ethnicity, race and age;  
40                and be it further

42                **Sec. 3. Chair. Resolved:** That the Senate member shall serve  
44                as chair and the first-named House member shall serve as  
46                vice-chair; and be it further

48                **Sec. 4. Appointments; convening of task force. Resolved:** That all  
50                appointments must be made no later than September 21, 2005. The  
52                appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the  
54                Legislative Council once all appointments have been completed.  
56                The chair shall call and convene the first meeting of the task  
58                force by October 15, 2005; and be it further'

60                Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 7  
62                and inserting in its place the following:

64                **'Sec. 7. Duties. Resolved:** That the task force shall:

- 66                1. Review statistical and qualitative data on the  
68                prevalence and incidence of cervical cancer in Maine;

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2. Review preventive strategies and new technologies, including newly introduced vaccines and their effectiveness in preventing and controlling the risk of cervical cancer, as well as their relative costs;

3. Identify and examine the strengths and limitations of existing laws, regulations, programs and services regarding coverage and awareness of cervical cancer;

4. Consider reports and testimony from individuals, local health departments, community-based organizations, voluntary health organizations and other public and private organizations statewide to learn more about their contributions to cervical cancer diagnosis, prevention and treatment and their ideas for improving prevention, diagnosis and treatment in Maine;

5. Develop, in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services, a statewide comprehensive cervical cancer prevention plan and strategies for plan implementation and for promoting the plan and awareness of the causes, risk factors, prevention, early detection and treatment of cervical cancer to the general public, state and local elected officials and various public and private organizations, associations, businesses, industries and agencies; and

6. Recommend strategies for coordination and communication among state and local agencies and organizations regarding their involvement in achieving the aims of the cervical cancer prevention plan; and be it further'

Further amend the resolve by striking out all of sections 9 and 10 and inserting in their place the following:

**'Sec. 9. Compensation. Resolved:** That legislative members of the task force are entitled to receive the legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, and reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses for their attendance at authorized meetings of the task force. Public members not otherwise compensated by their employers or other entities that they represent are entitled to receive reimbursement of necessary expenses and, upon a demonstration of financial hardship, a per diem equal to the legislative per diem for their attendance at authorized meetings of the task force; and be it further

**Sec. 10. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than November 15, 2005, the task force shall submit an initial report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and the Governor. The task force is not authorized to meet from December 21, 2005 to April 25, 2006 or to introduce legislation. The task force shall submit its final report to the joint standing

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committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters by November 15, 2006. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters in the First Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature may report out legislation on cervical cancer prevention, detection and education; and be it further'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment amends the resolve, correcting some language and establishing a meeting schedule and different dates for meetings and reports. The amendment allows legislative and other members of the task force to receive per diem and expenses for attending meetings of the task force. The amendment requires an initial report by November 15, 2005 and a final report by November 15, 2006. The amendment authorizes the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters to report out legislation.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



Approved: 05/24/05 *MAC*

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**Resolve, Establishing the Task Force To Study Cervical Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Current Costs - Legislative Study

### Legislative Study

The projected costs to fund the general operating expenses of the Task Force to Study Cervical Cancer Prevention, Detection and Education are \$4,480 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$4,480 in fiscal year 2006-07. The Legislature's current budget includes \$30,000 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$20,000 in fiscal year 2006-07 for legislative studies. Whether the amounts are sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature.