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House of Representatives, January 4, 2006

**An Act To Designate the Department of Health and Human Services
as the Sole Entity Entitled To Use the 2-1-1 Telephone Number**

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative GERZOFKY of Brunswick.
Cosponsored by President EDMONDS of Cumberland and
Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, BRYANT of Windham, CUMMINGS of Portland,
DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, MILLER of Somerville, PATRICK of Rumford, PERCY of
Phippsburg, Speaker RICHARDSON of Brunswick, SMITH of Monmouth, Senator: BRYANT
of Oxford.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §7108**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 51, §1, is
repealed and the following enacted in its place:

6 **§7108. Use of 2-1-1 number by Department of Health and Human**
8 **Services**

10 The commission shall designate the Department of Health and
12 Human Services as the sole entity entitled to use the 2-1-1
14 telephone number assigned by the Federal Communications
16 Commission to be used for public access to information and
18 referral services provided by or through the department. The
commission may suspend, revoke, terminate or modify this
designation if the commission determines the public interest is
no longer served by the designation or in response to actions by
the Federal Communications Commission that affect the
availability or assigned use of the 2-1-1 number.

20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill requires the Public Utilities Commission to
24 designate the Department of Health and Human Services as the sole
26 entity entitled to use the 2-1-1 telephone number for the purpose
of providing access to information and referral services offered
28 by or through the department.