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Resolve, To Improve Quality and Access to Mental Health Care Through the Development of a Joint Strategic Plan

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ROSEN of Hancock. Cosponsored by Representative PINGREE of North Haven and Senators: MARTIN of Aroostook, NUTTING of Androscoggin, PERRY of Penobscot, Representatives: McCORMICK of West Gardiner, SHIELDS of Auburn. **Sec. 1. Strategic plan. Resolved:** That Acadia Hospital, Spring Harbor Hospital, Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center shall collaborate to develop a comprehensive strategic plan for the provision of hospital-based mental health services. The plan must create a coordinated safety net of programs and services that will serve Maine's citizens in the future. The hospitals shall submit their plan by December 31, 2006 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services for approval and implementation.

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SUMMARY

9 This resolve requires Maine's 4 mental health hospitals to jointly develop a 10 comprehensive strategic plan for the provision of hospital-based mental health services.