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House of Representatives, February 13, 2007

**An Act To Expand the Definition of Health Care Facility under the
Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority Act**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MILLER of Somerville.
Cosponsored by Senator TURNER of Cumberland and
Representatives: PERRY of Calais, PINGREE of North Haven, Senators: RAYE of
Washington, ROSEN of Hancock.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2053, sub-§3-A**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 407, §1, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **3-A. Health care facility.** "Health care facility" means a nursing home that is, or
5 will be upon completion, licensed under chapter 405; a residential care facility that is, or
6 will be upon completion, licensed under chapter 1663; a continuing care retirement
7 community that is, or will be upon completion, licensed under Title 24-A, chapter 73; an
8 assisted living facility that is, or will be upon completion, licensed under chapter 1664; a
9 hospital; a nonprofit statewide health information network incorporated in the State for
10 the purpose of exchanging health care information among licensed providers in the State;
11 a community mental health facility; a scene response air ambulance licensed under Title
12 32, chapter 2-B and the rules adopted thereunder; or a community health center.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill incorporates health information networks into the definition of "health care
15 facility" so that infrastructure needs of health care facilities are part of the Maine Health
16 and Higher Educational Facilities Authority Act.