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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 333, L.D. 1016, Bill, "An Act To Clarify the Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services To License Residential Parenting Facilities"

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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

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'An Act Regarding Residential Care Facilities for Children'

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

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'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, allowing parents to reside in residential child care facilities is needed in the child welfare system to assist families to stay together; and

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Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

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Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8107, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

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4. Parents of children receiving services. Adult parents may reside with their children in a residential child care facility in order to facilitate the care of the child when the department has determined it to be in the best interest of the child.

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Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §8107, as amended by PL 1989, c. 355, §3, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 1016

LR 113(02)

An Act To Clarify the Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services To License Residential Parenting Facilities

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 budget resources.