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Resolve, To Encourage Physicians To Administer the Injectable Painkiller Toradol in Lieu of Other Opioids

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MILLS of Somerset.

1 .	Sec. 1. MaineCare rules; rate of reimbursement for Toradol. Resolved:
2 .	That the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend its rules of
3	reimbursement under the MaineCare program by October 1, 2009 to increase the rate of
4	reimbursement for the injectable painkiller Toradol.

SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend rules governing the MaineCare program to increase the rate of reimbursement for Toradol so that practitioners will have an incentive to administer this injectable painkiller as an alternative to prescribing narcotic pills that are highly divertible.