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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2009

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No. 625

H.P. 439

House of Representatives, February 17, 2009

**Resolve, To Ensure All Children Covered by MaineCare Receive  
Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Services**

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

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Senator BOWMAN of York and  
Representatives: CAIN of Orono, JONES of Mount Vernon, MILLER of Somerville, PERRY  
of Calais, STUCKEY of Portland, WEBSTER of Freeport, Senators: MILLS of Somerset,  
PERRY of Penobscot.

**Sec. 1. Early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment. Resolved:** That the Department of Health and Human Services shall form a work group, including representation from the Department of Education and other public and private stakeholders, to evaluate the current system for provision of early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment services in the State and to make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of those services in meeting the needs of MaineCare-eligible children. The department shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2010 on the findings and recommendations of this work group. The Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services is authorized to submit legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature to facilitate the implementation of the work group's recommendations.

## SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to form a work group to evaluate the current system for providing early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment services in the State and to report the work group's findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. The joint standing committee is authorized to submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.