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124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2009

Legislative Document

No. 1002

H.P. 690

House of Representatives, March 12, 2009

Resolve, To Conduct an Updated Study of the Feasibility of Establishing a Single-payor Health Care System in the State

Reference to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. Macfarland MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Senator BOWMAN of York and

Representatives: BECK of Waterville, FOSSEL of Alna, GOODE of Bangor, LEGG of Kennebunk, MORRISON of South Portland, PRIEST of Brunswick, TREAT of Hallowell,

Senator: GERZOFSKY of Cumberland.

- Sec. 1. Update to feasibility study. Resolved: That the Legislative Council shall contract with a qualified consultant to update the December 2002 document titled "Feasibility Study of a Single-payer Health Plan Model for the State of Maine" produced by Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. The Legislative Council shall seek outside grant funding to fully fund all costs of the updated study, which may not exceed \$60,000. If sufficient outside funding has not been received by the Legislature by August 1, 2009 to fully fund all costs of the updated study, no expenses of any kind related to the study may be incurred. The updated study must be submitted no later than December 2, 2009 to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature. The Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services may submit legislation based on the updated feasibility study to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature; and be it further
- Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

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Legislature 0081

Initiative: Allocates funds to the Legislature to contract for an update to the 2002 study of the feasibility of establishing a single-payor health care plan model for the State.

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17	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2009-10	2010-11
18	All Other	\$0	\$60,000
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20	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$60,000

21 SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Legislative Council to contract for an update to a 2002 study of the feasibility of establishing a single-payor health plan in the State. The update is contingent on the successful securing of outside funding by August 1, 2009. The updated study must be submitted to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature during which the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services may submit legislation based on the updated study.