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L.D. 145 (Filing No. H- **70**)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES 3 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 4 **STATE OF MAINE** 5 6 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 7 **126TH LEGISLATURE** 8 FIRST REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 120, L.D. 145, Bill, "An Act To 9 Ensure Adequate Child Protective Services throughout the State" 10 11 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following: 12 'Resolve, Regarding the Presence of the Department of Health and Human Services in Urban and Rural Areas' 13 14 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and 15 inserting the following: 16 'Sec. 1. Review and report. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall review the distribution of offices of the department throughout the 17 18 State and the means by which the department provides necessary departmental presence 19 and staffing to residents of the State in urban and rural areas. The department shall 20 consider the needs of all residents, both young and old, and the reasons residents are visiting the department. The department shall consider traditional office-based services, 21 22 part-time and donated office space, delivery of services by mobile means and by having 23 personnel visit with residents in their homes and new options created by advancements in 24 technology. By January 1, 2014 the department shall report to the Joint Standing 25 Committee on Health and Human Services on the results of the department's review and the options for and costs of improved service delivery. The report must include the costs 26 27 and benefits of several options and the recommendations of the department." 28 SUMMARY 29 This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and changes the title. The 30 amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services to review the distribution of offices of the department and the means by which the department provides 31 32 necessary departmental presence and staffing to residents of the State in urban and rural

areas. The amendment directs the department to consider the needs of all residents, both
young and old, and the reasons residents are visiting the department. The amendment
directs the department to consider traditional office-based services, part-time and donated

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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An Act To Ensure Adequate Child Protective Services throughout the State

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A' (H-70) Committee: Health and Human Services Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.