

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 446

House of Representatives, March 3, 2015

An Act To Establish a Block Grant Program for Homemaker Services

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative POULIOT of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland and
Representatives: McCLELLAN of Raymond, SANDERSON of Chelsea, Senators: BRAKEY
of Androscoggin, KATZ of Kennebec.

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

2 **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5 This bill proposes to create well-paying jobs and to reduce the State's costs for
6 avoidable, preventable, high-cost emergency room, hospital and nursing home care by
7 investing \$1,000,000 in a pilot block grant program for nonprofit home health care
8 providers to provide light housekeeping, shopping, cooking, budget and medication
9 management and referral services and assistance with other activities of daily living under
10 the supervision of a primary care physician. Providers would apply via a competitive
11 grant application process.