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House of Representatives, April 14, 2015

An Act To Fully Fund the Family Caregiver Respite Program

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

ROBERT B. HUNT

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MALABY of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, HARLOW of Portland, SIROCKI of Scarborough, TURNER of Burlington, VACHON of Scarborough, Senator: HASKELL of Cumberland.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and 3 allocations are made. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS) 4 5 Long Term Care - Office of Aging and Disability Services 0420 6 Initiative: Provides additional funds for the family caregiver support program within the 7 department's office of aging and disability services. 8 9 2016-17 **GENERAL FUND** 2015-16 10 All Other \$182,000 \$243,000 11 12 GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$182,000 \$243,000 13 **SUMMARY** 14 This bill provides additional General Fund appropriations of \$182,000 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$243,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 for the Department of Health and Human 15 Services to fully fund the family caregiver support program within the department's office 16 of aging and disability services. This appropriation is intended to eliminate the waiting 17 18 list for the family caregiver support program in fiscal year 2015-16 and meet the growing demand for the program in fiscal year 2016-17. 19