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House of Representatives, March 28, 2017

**An Act To Facilitate MaineCare-Funded Assisted Living by
Providing a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Private Nonmedical
Institutions and Adult Family Care Homes**

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 MALABY of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representatives: HAWKE of Boothbay Harbor, HERBIG of Belfast,
PARKER of South Berwick.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Annual cost-of-living adjustment.** The Department of Health and
3 Human Services shall amend its rules in Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual,
4 Chapter III, Section 2, Adult Family Care Services and Chapter III, Section 97, Appendix
5 C: Principles of Reimbursement for Medical and Remedial Service Facilities and in the
6 department's rule Chapter 115: Principles of Reimbursement for Residential Care
7 Facilities - Room and Board Costs to provide for ongoing, annual rate changes to adjust
8 for inflation. For the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the amount of the adjustment
9 is 4%. For each year thereafter, the department shall set the inflation adjustment cost-of-
10 living percentage change in reimbursement in accordance with the United States
11 Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index medical care
12 services index.

13 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
14 allocations are made.

15 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)**

16 **Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

17 Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for residential care
18 facilities and MaineCare Appendix C private nonmedical institutions for the state fiscal
19 year ending June 30, 2018 and a projected Consumer Price Index adjustment for the state
20 fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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22	GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
23	All Other	\$2,384,832	\$3,434,159
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25	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$2,384,832</u>	<u>\$3,434,159</u>

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27	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2017-18	2018-19
28	All Other	\$5,353,409	\$7,708,909
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30	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	<u>\$5,353,409</u>	<u>\$7,708,909</u>

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32	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2017-18	2018-19
33	All Other	\$544,970	\$786,032
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35	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$544,970</u>	<u>\$786,032</u>

36 **Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

37 Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for adult family care
38 homes that are providing service pursuant to Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual,

Chapter III, Section 2 for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 and a projected Consumer Price Index adjustment for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

4	GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
5	All Other	\$129,199	\$186,047
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7	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$129,199</u>	<u>\$186,047</u>
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9	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2017-18	2018-19
10	All Other	\$233,933	\$336,863
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12	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	<u>\$233,933</u>	<u>\$336,863</u>

13 **PNMI Room and Board Z009**

14 Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for residential care
 15 facilities and MaineCare Appendix C private nonmedical institutions for the state fiscal
 16 year ending June 30, 2018 and a projected Consumer Price Index adjustment for the state
 17 fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

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19	GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
20	All Other	\$740,599	\$1,066,463
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22	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$740,599</u>	<u>\$1,066,463</u>

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24	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,		
25	DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)		
26	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2017-18	2018-19
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28	GENERAL FUND	\$3,254,630	\$4,686,669
29	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$5,587,342	\$8,045,772
30	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$544,970	\$786,032
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32	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$9,386,942</u>	<u>\$13,518,473</u>

33 **SUMMARY**

34 This bill provides funds to the Department of Health and Human Services to give
 35 adult family care homes, residential care facilities and certain private nonmedical
 36 institutions a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2018
 37 and an additional cost-of-living increase for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2019
 38 based on a projected increase in the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
 39 Statistics Consumer Price Index medical care services index. Annual cost-of-living

1 adjustments are to be provided by rule for each fiscal year thereafter in accordance with
2 the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index
3 medical care services index.