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**MAJORITY
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 180, L.D. 593, "Resolve, To Stabilize the Behavioral Health Workforce and Avert More Expensive Treatments"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 3 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

Initiative: Provides appropriations for an increase to rates for certain services.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$17,726,496</u>	<u>\$17,726,496</u>

Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, updates the appropriations and allocations section to reflect a more recent estimate of the cost.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 593

LR 640(02)

Resolve, To Stabilize the Behavioral Health Workforce and Avert More Expensive Treatments

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (3-143)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496	\$17,726,496

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$17,726,496 beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 for an 8% increase to rates for Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 65, Behavioral Health Services.

The rate increase in this bill is paid with state General Fund money only, since PL 2017 c. 460 increased rates for services in Sections 17, 23 and 65 which are included in the Clinic Upper Payment Limit calculations. The impact of those increases put the department at or slightly above the amount allowed to be paid by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.