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L.D. 1135

Date: 5/14/19

Majority

(Filing No. H-253)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 824, L.D. 1135, "Resolve, To Increase Funding for Assertive Community Treatment"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 5th line (page 1, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "for the period from" and inserting the following: "beginning on"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "to June 30, 2020"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of sections 2 to 5 and inserting the following:

Sec. 2. Rulemaking. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services is authorized to adopt rules to implement new rates established pursuant to this resolve. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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 funding for a one-time increase to certain rates under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 17 by 25%.

GENERAL FUND	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$476,389	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$476,389	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, amends the resolve to provide that the 25% rate increase for assertive community treatment is ongoing. It removes the directive to the Department of Health and Human Services to contract with a 3rd party to conduct a rate study. It also replaces the appropriations and allocations section to reflect a change in funding.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



Approved: 04/28/19 *MBC*

129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1135

LR 1597(02)

Resolve, To Increase Funding for Assertive Community Treatment

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

A(H-253)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)					
General Fund	\$476,389	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557
Appropriations/Allocations					
General Fund	\$476,389	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557	\$1,905,557

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) of \$476,389 in fiscal year 2018-19, \$1,905,557 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$1,905,557 in fiscal year 2020-21 for an increase to certain rates under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 17 by 25%

The funding provided for this bill is all General Fund. This was precipitated by PL 2017 c. 460 which 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 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. As a result, the rate increase in this bill will have to be paid with state general fund money only.