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An Act Regarding Reimbursements to Municipalities for General Assistance

Reported by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot for the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Public Law 2019, chapter 515, section 4. Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

- 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
- 2 Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4311, sub-§1-D is enacted to read:

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<u>1-D. Reimbursement in excess of maximum assistance.</u> When a municipality
provides general assistance to an applicant as a result of an emergency as described in
section 4308, subsection 2 and the emergency payment is in excess of the maximum level
of assistance established by the municipality according to section 4305, the department
shall reimburse the municipality as follows:

- 8 <u>A. Seventy percent of the amount of the emergency payment up to the maximum</u> 9 <u>level of assistance; and</u>
- 10B. One hundred percent of the amount of the emergency payment in excess of the11maximum level of assistance.
 - SUMMARY

This bill enacts a recommendation of the stakeholder group established pursuant to Public Law 2019, chapter 515, section 4. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to reimburse a municipality for the amount of general assistance provided to an individual in an emergency situation that is in excess of the maximum level of assistance established by that municipality.