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House of Representatives, February 1, 2021

Resolve, Directing the Maine Health Data Organization To Determine the Best Methods and Definitions To Use in Collecting Data To Better Understand Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Provision of Health Care in Maine

Received by the Clerk of the House on January 28, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative TEPLER of Topsham.

Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN of Cumberland and

Representatives: ARFORD of Brunswick, BROOKS of Lewiston, TALBOT ROSS of

Portland.

Sec. 1. Data for racial and ethnic disparities in health care. Resolved: That the Maine Health Data Organization shall determine the best methods and definitions to use in collecting data to assist in analyzing the origins of racial and ethnic disparities in health care in the State.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by October 1, 2021, the Maine Health Data Organization shall submit a report, including suggested legislation, based on its evaluation in section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services. The Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services is authorized to submit legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

11 SUMMARY

 This resolve directs the Maine Health Data Organization to determine the best methods and definitions to use in collecting data to assist in analyzing the origins of racial and ethnic disparities in health care in the State and to submit a report with suggested legislation by October 1, 2021 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services, which may submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.