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## 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, March 22, 2021

Resolve, To Increase Broadband Access in Private Nonmedical Institutions

Received by the Clerk of the House on March 18, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, STOVER of Boothbay, Senators: DAUGHTRY of Cumberland, MOORE of Washington, VITELLI of Sagadahoc.

**Sec. 1. Broadband access. Resolved:** That the Department of Health and Human Services shall work with providers of all levels of private nonmedical institution services to determine ways of providing no-cost broadband access to residents for medical, educational and recreational purposes through changes in MaineCare and grant-funded contracts. The department shall submit a report, including suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by December 1, 2021. The committee may submit a bill related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

9 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to work with providers of all levels of private nonmedical institution services to determine ways of providing no-cost broadband access to residents for medical, educational and recreational purposes through changes in MaineCare and grant-funded contracts. The department is required to submit a report, including suggested legislation, by December 1, 2021 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, which may submit a bill related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.