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House of Representatives, April 14, 2021

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Seek a Waiver for Additional Medication-assisted Treatment for Certain Persons with Substance Use Disorder up to 30 Days Prior to Their Release from Incarceration

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 12, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to seek waiver. Resolved: That, by December 1, 2021, the Department of Health and Human Services shall apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver pursuant to 42 United States Code, Section 1315. The waiver must request the authorization of federal Medicaid matching funds for the provision of additional medication-assisted treatment for persons with substance use disorder to eligible persons up to 30 days prior to the person's release from incarceration so that a qualified health care professional and the person with substance use disorder receiving care from the professional have access to all forms and formulations of medications for substance use disorder approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration as recommended by a national society of addiction medicine and a national commission on correctional health care.

13 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services, by December 1, 2021, to seek a waiver from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services authorizing federal Medicaid matching funds for additional medication-assisted treatment for persons with substance use disorder who are incarcerated up to 30 days prior to the release of the persons from incarceration.