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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 536, L.D. 1649, "An Act To Make the Shared Living Program Accessible for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §5437, first ¶, as amended by PL 2011, c. 542, Pt. A, §101, is further amended to read:

The department shall establish a contingency fund for use by ~~community-based intermediate care facilities~~ for persons with intellectual disabilities or autism ~~and department clients residing in licensed boarding and foster homes or intermediate care facilities or participating in appropriate day treatment programs~~ who qualify for services under this chapter. This fund must be used in accordance with the following provisions.'

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill. It broadens the use of the contingency fund under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B, section 5437 to include any adult with intellectual disabilities or autism who qualifies for services under Title 34-B, chapter 5. Under current law, expenditures from the contingency fund are limited to persons living in particular settings.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**