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H.P. 296

House of Representatives, February 7, 2023

**An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Membership of the
Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory
Council**

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and
Representatives: GRAHAM of North Yarmouth, KUHN of Falmouth, LAJOIE of Lewiston,
LEE of Auburn, SHAGOURY of Hallowell.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1726, sub-§2, ¶E**, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 203, §2, is
3 amended to read:

4 E. Two persons appointed by the member of the House of Representatives who is the
5 leader of the minority party in the House. One person must be a spiritual counselor
6 with experience working with persons with serious illnesses and their family members.
7 One person must represent persons 55 years of age and older; ~~and~~

8 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1726, sub-§2, ¶F**, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 203, §2, is
9 amended to read:

10 F. The executive director of the Maine Hospice Council, established in section 8611,
11 who serves as a nonvoting member; ~~and~~

12 **Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §1726, sub-§2, ¶G** is enacted to read:

13 G. One person representing consumers of palliative care, appointed by the Governor.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill amends the law governing the membership of the Palliative Care and Quality
16 of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council to add a member who is appointed by the
17 Governor and represents consumers of palliative care.