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House of Representatives, March 14, 2019

An Act To Increase Funding for Home Visiting Programs

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

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham.
Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and
Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, GATTINE of Westbrook, McCREIGHT of
Harpwell, NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, PERRY of Calais, STOVER of Boothbay,
Senator: LAWRENCE of York.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
3 allocations are made.

4 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**
5 **Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Match Z008**

6 Initiative: Provides appropriations to stabilize the work force by bringing salaries of home
7 visitors in line with comparable positions.

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9	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
10	All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
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12	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>

13 Initiative: Provides appropriations to expand to foster families caring for infants
14 eligibility for home visiting programs.

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16	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
17	All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
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19	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>

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21	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,		
22	DEPARTMENT OF		
23	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2019-20	2020-21
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25	GENERAL FUND	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
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27	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

28 **SUMMARY**

29 This bill increases the State's funding for home visiting programs in the State in order
30 to stabilize the workforce and expand eligibility to foster families caring for infants.