**An Act To Improve Dental Health Access for Maine Children and Adults with Low Incomes**

L.D. 996

Date: (Filing No. H- )

**Health and Human Services**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “      ” to H.P. 734, L.D. 996, “An Act To Improve Dental Health Access for Maine Children and Adults with Low Incomes”

Amend the bill in section 2 in the 3rd to 5th lines (page 1, lines 25 to 27 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "When adopting rules under this section, the department shall consider recommendations provided by the stakeholder group established pursuant to section 3."

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3.

Amend the bill in section 6 in the last line (page 3, line 33 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "2027." the following: 'The joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters and appropriations and financial affairs are authorized to report out legislation related to the report.'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 6 the following:

'**Sec. 7. Appropriations and allocations.**  The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

Initiative: Appropriates and allocates funds for the net costs of providing MaineCare coverage for additional preventive oral health services for MaineCare-eligible adults 21 years of age and older, beginning April 1, 2022.

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| **GENERAL FUND** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| All Other | $1,137,862 | $6,509,678 |
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| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | $1,137,862 | $6,509,678 |

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| **FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| All Other | $3,451,751 | $17,264,978 |
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| FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL | $3,451,751 | $17,264,978 |

**Office of MaineCare Services 0129**

Initiative: Appropriates and allocates funds to develop a public education campaign.

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| **GENERAL FUND** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| All Other | $6,953 | $6,953 |
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| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | $6,953 | $6,953 |

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| **FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| All Other | $6,953 | $6,953 |
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| FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL | $6,953 | $6,953 |

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| **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,** **DEPARTMENT OF** |   |   |
| **DEPARTMENT TOTALS** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
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| **GENERAL FUND** | **$1,144,815** | **$6,516,631** |
| **FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND** | **$3,458,704** | **$17,271,931** |
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| **DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS** | **$4,603,519** | **$23,788,562** |

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the unanimous report of the committee, removes the requirement for the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a stakeholder group as part of the rule-making process to implement the new dental coverage requirements. It adds authority for the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters and appropriations and financial affairs to report out legislation related to the 5-year implementation report from the department. It also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**