Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services
To Request a Waiver Relating to Support Services and To Provide
Funds To Prevent Homelessness
Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to seek federal waiver.

Resolved: That 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 from the requirements of federal law and regulations. The application must seek approval for the Department of Health and Human Services to provide Medicaid-funded direct support services to individuals experiencing homelessness. The Department of Health and Human Services shall submit the application for a waiver by October 1, 2021.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE

Housing First Assistance Program N232

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to be distributed to community action agencies to assist individuals on the verge of becoming homeless.

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SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver from the requirements of federal law and regulations to allow Maine to provide Medicaid-funded direct support services to individuals experiencing homelessness. In addition, the resolve provides ongoing funds to the Housing First Assistance Program established within the Maine State Housing Authority to be distributed to community action agencies to assist individuals on the verge of becoming homeless.