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House of Representatives, January 8, 2020

## **Resolve, To Ensure High-quality Long-term Care for Maine Veterans**

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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

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Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco. Cosponsored by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock and Representatives: CAIAZZO of Scarborough, CLOUTIER of Lewiston, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, SCHNECK of Bangor, TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senators: CARPENTER of Aroostook, DAVIS of Piscataquis, MIRAMANT of Knox. 1 **Sec. 1. Maine Veterans' Homes staff ratios. Resolved:** That the Board of 2 Trustees of the Maine Veterans' Homes, established by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3 5, section 12004-G, subsection 34, shall increase the required staff-to-patient ratio at 4 Maine Veterans' Homes for long-term care to 3 staff to 15 patients.

5 Sec. 2. Certified nursing assistant rates. Resolved: That the Department of 6 Health and Human Services shall amend its rule 10-144, Chapter 101: MaineCare 7 Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 96, Private Duty Nursing and Personal Care 8 Services to increase reimbursement rates for certified nursing assistants by 10%.

## **SUMMARY**

10 This resolve directs the Board of Trustees of the Maine Veterans' Homes to increase 11 the required staff-to-patient ratio at Maine Veterans' Homes for long-term care to 3 staff 12 to 15 patients and the Department of Health and Human Services to increase MaineCare 13 reimbursement rates for certified nursing assistants by 10%.

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