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Resolve, To Provide Rural Nonmedical Transportation Services to the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities Receiving Home and Community Benefits under the MaineCare Program

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on January 11, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MAXMIN of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative MEYER of Eliot and
Representatives: COREY of Windham, CRAVEN of Lewiston, FAY of Raymond, MADIGAN
of Waterville, PLUECKER of Warren, STOVER of Boothbay.

Sec. 1. Pilot project. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall establish a pilot project lasting 18 months that allows individuals currently receiving services under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 19, Home and Community Benefits for the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities, to receive up to \$2,000 each in nonmedical transportation services that are specified in the individual's service plan when the individual has no other means of transportation, in addition to currently permissible medical transportation. The department shall provide written notice to these recipients regarding the availability of the pilot project. The department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters with an evaluation of the costs and effectiveness of the pilot project and an assessment regarding its long-term viability no later than January 30, 2023. The committee may report out legislation based on the report to the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

14 SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a pilot project lasting 18 months that provides nonmedical transportation services to individuals receiving services pursuant to rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 19, Home and Community Benefits for the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities, in an amount up to \$2,000, in addition to currently permissible medical transportation services. The department is required to submit a report regarding the costs, effectiveness and future viability of the pilot project to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters no later than January 30, 2023.