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**STATE OF MAINE
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132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 755, L.D. 1937, “An Act to Require Hospitals and Hospital-affiliated Providers to Provide Financial Assistance Programs for Medical Care”

Amend the bill in section 3 in §1716-A in subsection 3 in paragraph E in the 7th line (page 4, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "30" and inserting the following: '45'

Amend the bill in section 3 in §1716-A in subsection 5 by striking out all of paragraph B (page 5, lines 4 to 7 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'B. Providing, in conspicuous locations within the hospital, including admission, registration and waiting areas, information regarding how patients can access physical copies of the plain language summary under paragraph A, the financial assistance program application and any application instructions;'

Amend the bill in section 3 in §1716-A in subsection 8 in the 4th line (page 6, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "3%" and inserting the following: '4%'

Amend the bill in section 3 in §1716-A in subsection 10 in the first line (page 6, line 11 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "shall" the following: ', by July 1, 2028,'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 7 and inserting the following:

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

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Division of Licensing and Certification Z036**

Initiative: Establishes one Comprehensive Health Planner II position, effective July 1, 2026, to develop program applications and implement the department's enforcement requirements for charity care and other financial assistance programs required of hospitals, including investigating patient complaints, taking corrective actions and providing staff support for any necessary legal action. The initiative also provides funding for related All Other costs.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

