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Resolve, to Fund Treatment Services and Certain Transportation Costs for Individuals with Substance Use Disorder

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

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Presented by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle. Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, LaROCHELLE of Augusta, RANA of Bangor, RIELLY of Westbrook, Senator: RENY of Lincoln.

1 Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to fund additional 2 substance use disorder treatment services. Resolved: That the Department of 3 Health and Human Services shall establish and fund the following services for individuals 4 with substance use disorder: 5 1. Seventy-five detoxification beds for individuals who are 18 years of age or older; 6 2. Twenty-five detoxification beds for individuals who have not attained 18 years of 7 age; 8 3. Seventy-five inpatient treatment beds for individuals who are 18 years of age or 9 older; and 10 4. Twenty-five inpatient treatment beds for individuals who have not attained 18 years 11 of age. 12 Fifty percent of the beds established under this section must be reserved for MaineCare members or individuals eligible for Medicare. 13 14 Sec. 2. Department of Health and Human Services to fund transportation 15 to detoxification facilities. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend its rules to provide for the reimbursement of transportation of 16 MaineCare members to detoxification facilities. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are 17 routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, 18 19 subchapter 2-A. 20 SUMMARY 21 This bill establishes detoxification beds and inpatient treatment beds for children and 22 adults with substance use disorder and requires the Department of Health and Human Services to fund those beds. It requires that 50% of the beds be reserved for MaineCare 23 24 members or individuals eligible for Medicare. It directs the department to amend its rules to provide for the reimbursement of transportation of MaineCare members to detoxification 25 26 facilities.