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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
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130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1040, L.D. 1424, “Resolve, To Change the Educational Requirements of Behavioral Health Professionals Providing Services for Children”

Amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 3 in the first 2 lines (page 1, lines 13 and 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "with the provider agency required to have a specific plan for supervision and training documented in the personnel file of the employee" and inserting the following: 'with training and oversight as determined by the department in addition to the training provided for certification as a behavioral health professional'

Amend the resolve in section 1 by inserting after subsection 3 the following:

'In adopting rules under this section, the Department of Health and Human Services shall ensure that the training and oversight requirements for persons with a high school diploma or equivalent are consistent in both Section 28 and Section 65 of the department's rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II.'

Amend the resolve by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Medicaid Services - Developmental Services Z210**

Initiative: Provides allocations for the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 28 and Section 65 to change the educational requirements for all behavioral health professionals providing services for children.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$317,958	\$423,944
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$317,958	\$423,944

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Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides funding for the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 28 and Section 65 to change the educational requirements for all behavioral health professionals providing services for children.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$1,556,025	\$2,089,994
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$1,556,025	\$2,089,994
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$3,425,322	\$4,551,802
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$3,425,322	\$4,551,802
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$1,556,025	\$2,089,994
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$3,425,322	\$4,551,802
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$317,958	\$423,944
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$5,299,305	\$7,065,740

Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the unanimous report of the committee, amends the resolve to provide that a high school diploma or equivalent is sufficient to receive behavioral health professional training as long as there is training and oversight as determined by the Department of Health and Human Services in addition to the training provided for certification as a behavioral health professional. The amendment provides that in adopting rules related to the training and oversight, the department must ensure that the requirements are consistent in both Section 28 and Section 65 of the department's rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)