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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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131ST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 717, L.D. 1792, “Resolve, to Establish the Rural Health Services Task Force”

Amend the resolve by inserting after the title the following:

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this legislation needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period in order to provide sufficient time for the task force established in this legislation to complete its work; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "10" and inserting the following: '1'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the 2nd line (page 1, line 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and"

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 3 by inserting after paragraph C the following:

'D. One member who represents rural employers in the State; and'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 4 by striking out all of paragraph B (page 1, lines 18 and 19 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'B. One member from a statewide organization that represents providers of behavioral health services;'

Amend the resolve by inserting after section 6 the following:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 'Sec. 7. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following
2 appropriations and allocations are made.

3 **OFFICE OF AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE**

4 **Office of Affordable Health Care Z320**

5 Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Office of Affordable Health Care to contract
6 with a 3rd-party to work with the Rural Health Services Task Force to study rural health
7 care delivery in the State.

8	GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
9	All Other	\$120,000	\$0
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11	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$120,000	\$0

12 '
13 Amend the resolve by adding before the summary the following:

14 '**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation
15 takes effect when approved.'

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

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and clause. It adds to the membership
20 of the Rural Health Services Task Force established in the bill a member who represents
21 rural employers, appointed by the President of the Senate. It changes the member who is a
22 provider of behavioral health services in a rural part of the State to a member who is from
23 a statewide organization that represents providers of behavioral health services. The
24 amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

25 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
26 (See attached)