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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting 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, the State's MaineCare providers that are subject to the service provider tax have experienced an increase in the tax since January 1, 2016; and

Whereas, MaineCare providers have insufficient reserves to withstand cost increases; and

Whereas, private nonmedical institutions and other facilities provide services to Maine's vulnerable citizens, including children, individuals with substance use disorders, and adults with intellectual disabilities and autistic disorder; and

Whereas, private nonmedical institutions and other facilities that provide such services need increased funding to continue providing those services; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)

Developmental Services Waiver - MaineCare 0987

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$261,418	\$1,002,949
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$261,418	\$1,002,949

Medicaid Services - Developmental Services 0705

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$5,843	\$22,415
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/> \$5,843	<hr/> \$22,415

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$51,183	\$204,732
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<hr/> \$51,183	<hr/> \$204,732

Mental Health Services - Community Medicaid 0732

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$70,040	\$268,714
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/> \$70,040	<hr/> \$268,714

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$13,413	\$53,653
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<hr/> \$13,413	<hr/> \$53,653

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services - Medicaid Seed 0844

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$6,260	\$24,019
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/> \$6,260	<hr/> \$24,019

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$1,199	\$4,796
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<hr/> \$1,199	<hr/> \$4,796

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT
OF (FORMERLY BDS)**

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
GENERAL FUND	\$343,561	\$1,318,097
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$65,795	\$263,181
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$409,356	\$1,581,278

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)

Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides funding for additional payments to providers.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$139,442	\$534,978
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$139,442	\$534,978

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$966,158	\$3,943,566
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$966,158	\$3,943,566

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$26,704	\$106,818
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$26,704	\$106,818

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT
OF (FORMERLY DHS)**

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
GENERAL FUND	\$139,442	\$534,978
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$966,158	\$3,943,566
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$26,704	\$106,818
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,132,304	\$4,585,362

SECTION TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
GENERAL FUND	\$483,003	\$1,853,075
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$966,158	\$3,943,566
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$92,499	\$369,999
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$1,541,660	\$6,166,640

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

SUMMARY

This amendment strikes the bill and instead provides an appropriations and allocations section that adds funding for an increase in reimbursement rates to eligible MaineCare providers for the last 3 months of fiscal year 2015-16 and for fiscal year 2016-17. The purpose of the additional funding is to offset the imposition of the service provider tax, which took effect January 1, 2016. This amendment also adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)