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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. Cost-of-living adjustment. The Department of Health and Human Services shall amend its rules in Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 2, Adult Family Care Services and Chapter III, Section 97, Appendix C: Principles of Reimbursement for Medical and Remedial Service Facilities - Room and Board Costs to provide for 2 annual rate adjustments to adjust for inflation. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the amount of adjustment is 4%. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the department shall set the amount of the inflation adjustment in accordance with the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index medical care services index.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)

Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for MaineCare Appendix C private nonmedical institutions.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$1,409,644
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$1,409,644

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$3,051,764
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$3,051,764

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$310,701
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$310,701

Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for adult family care homes that are providing service pursuant to Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 2.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$65,773
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$65,773

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$116,677
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$116,677

PNMI Room and Board Z009

Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for MaineCare Appendix C private nonmedical institutions.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$406,241
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$406,241

PNMI Room and Board Z009

Initiative: Provides funds for a 4% cost-of-living rate increase for adult family care homes that are providing service pursuant to Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 2.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$0	\$15,532
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$15,532

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)

DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$1,897,190
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$0	\$3,168,441
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$310,701

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS

\$0

\$5,376,332

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SUMMARY

This amendment provides for 2 cost-of-living rate increases in funding rather than an annual ongoing increase. The 4% cost-of-living rate increase in funding in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 remains the same as in the bill but with updated appropriation and allocation amounts. The 2nd rate increase, for fiscal year 2017-18, is based on the Consumer Price Index medical care services index.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)