Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services  
To Request a Waiver Relating to Support Services and To Provide  
Funds To Prevent Homelessness

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

Presented by Representative BREN NAN of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and  
Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, FARNSWORTH of Portland, GRAMLICH of Old  
Orchard Beach, JORGENSEN of Portland, MADIGAN of Waterville, MOONEN of Portland,  
PERRY of Calais, TALBOT ROSS of Portland.
Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to seek federal waiver.  
Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver from the requirements of federal law and regulations. The application must seek approval for the Department of Health and Human Services to provide Medicaid-funded direct support services to individuals experiencing homelessness. The Department of Health and Human Services shall submit the application for a waiver by October 1, 2019.

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

HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE

Housing First Assistance Program N232

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to be distributed to community action agencies to assist individuals on the verge of becoming homeless.

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SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver from the requirements of federal law and regulations to allow Maine to provide Medicaid-funded direct support services to individuals experiencing homelessness. In addition, the bill provides ongoing funds to the Housing First Assistance Program established within the Maine State Housing Authority to be distributed to community action agencies to assist individuals on the verge of becoming homeless.