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Resolve, To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Strengthen and Align the Services Provided to Maine's Veterans by Authorizing MaineCare Transportation Services To Transport Veterans to Medical Appointments Administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs

Reported by Representative LUCHINI of Ellsworth for the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs pursuant to Resolve 2015, chapter 48, section 7.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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1 Sec. 1. Transportation services eligibility. Resolved: That the Department of 2 Health and Human Services shall submit to the United States Department of Health and 3 Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services an application for a waiver under the Medicaid program to cover persons who are MaineCare members or eligible to 4 be MaineCare members and who are also eligible for health care benefits as enrollees 5 6 with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. Under the waiver, the department 7 shall propose to make available to these persons coverage for transportation to health care 8 appointments at the United States Department of Veterans Affairs hospital at Togus and 9 affiliated community-based outpatient clinics.

SUMMARY

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11 This resolve is submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs pursuant to Resolve 2015, chapter 48 to implement recommendations of the 12 Commission To Strengthen and Align the Services Provided to Maine's Veterans. It 13 directs the Department of Health and Human Services to submit to the United States 14 15 Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services an application for a MaineCare waiver to provide transportation services to veterans who 16 are eligible for the MaineCare program but also receive health care benefits from the 17 United States Department of Veterans Affairs at the hospital located at Togus or affiliated 18 19 community-based outpatient clinics.