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**An Act to Change Department of Health and Human Services Rules  
Regarding Youth Camps to Major Substantive Rules**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

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DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative FAY of Raymond and  
Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, CURRY of Waldo, HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN  
of York, KEIM of Oxford, NANGLE of Cumberland, Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old  
Orchard Beach, PERRY of Bangor.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2496, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 140, §1, is amended to  
3 read:

4 **1. Department rulemaking.** The department is ~~authorized and empowered to~~ may  
5 make and enforce all necessary rules ~~and regulations~~ for the administration of this chapter,  
6 and may rescind or modify such rules ~~and regulations~~ from time to time as may be in the  
7 public interest, insofar as such action is not in conflict with any of the provisions of this  
8 chapter. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in  
9 Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, except as otherwise provided in subsection 1-A.

10 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2496, sub-§1-A** is enacted to read:

11 **1-A. Youth camps; rulemaking.** The department may make and enforce all necessary  
12 rules for the regulation of youth camps in the State under this chapter. Rules adopted  
13 pursuant to this subsection are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,  
14 subchapter 2-A.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill changes the rules adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services  
17 for the regulation of youth camps from routine technical rules to major substantive rules  
18 and makes other technical changes to conform to the drafting standards for the Maine  
19 Revised Statutes.