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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 712, L.D. 1116, "An Act to Provide Rural Sober Living Housing for Mothers"
Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:
'An Act to Provide Rural Recovery Residences for Families'
Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:
'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §20058 is enacted to read:
§20058. Rural recovery residences for families
1. Recovery residences for families. The Maine State Housing Authority shall make funds available for the acquisition of land or real property to support the creation of certified recovery residences under sections 20054 and 20057 that provide services to parents or guardians recovering from substance use disorder and their minor children.
2. Location. The land or real property acquired under this section must be located in counties with a county seat of no more than 35,000 residents and must be in close proximity to public transportation or transportation must be provided to residents of the rural recovery residences.
3. Services. A rural recovery residence under this section must provide the following:
A. Recovery support services based on the needs of each resident; and
B. Support for reunification services with minor children based on the needs of each resident.
4. Staffing. Staff employed by a rural recovery residence under this section must be paid at least livable wages, as defined in Title 26, section 1-A.
5. Fund. The Rural Recovery Residence Fund is established as a nonlapsing fund to receive funds to support the land or real property acquisition, construction, renovation and activities described in this section. The Maine State Housing Authority shall distribute funds through a competitive bid process to grantees.

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1	6. Rules. The Maine State Housing Authority may adopt rules to	implement this	
2	section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules	ules as defined in	
3	Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.		
4	Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following ap	propriations and	
5	allocations are made.		
6	HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE		
7	Rural Recovery Residence Fund N463		
8 9	Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the acquisition of land or real property to support the creation of certified recovery residences for families.		
10	GENERAL FUND 2023-24	2024-25	
11	All Other \$1,500,000	\$0	
12	(CENTED AT EVENT TOTAL	<u> </u>	
13	GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$1,500,000	\$0	
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15	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Par	t letter or section	
16	number to read consecutively.		
17	SUMMARY		
18	This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, rep	laces the bill and	
19	changes the title. The amendment provides that rural recovery residences		
20	bill are for families, not only for mothers. It requires the Maine State Hou	•	
21	make funds available for the acquisition of land or real property to support		
22	rural recovery residences for families. It specifies that staff employed at t		
23	residence must be paid a livable wage. The amendment authorizes the Ma	ne State Housing	
24	Authority to adopt rules.		
25	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED		
26	(See attached)		