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HOUSE AMENDMENT " " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 979, L.D. 1327, "An Act To Create the Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program"

Amend the amendment by inserting after subsection 4 the following:

'Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12951 by inserting after subsection 4 the following:

'5. Health care provider. "Health care provider" means a person licensed or certified by this State as a medical, dental or behavioral health practitioner and performing within the scope of the person's practice as defined by state law or a person with a professionally recognized medical, dental or behavioral health credential.'

Amend the amendment by inserting after the 2nd indented paragraph after the title the following:

'Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12953 in subsection 1 in the 3rd to 7th lines (page 1, line 37 and page 2, lines 1 to 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "money received from 25% of the proceeds from the renewal of the contract for the operations of the State's wholesale spirits business under Title 28-A, section 90; existing funding for other authority programs that may, at the discretion of the authority, be combined with the program; and appropriations, allocations and contributions from private and public sources" and inserting the following: 'any funds appropriated, allocated or contributed from private or public sources, including from state and federal sources, and any existing funding for authority programs that, at the discretion of the authority, may be combined with the program''

Amend the amendment by inserting after the 3rd indented paragraph after the title the following:

'Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12953 in subsection 2 in the last line (page 2, line 15 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "chapter" the following: ', except for federal funds that must be expended according to guidelines issued by the Federal Government governing the use of those funds' '

Amend the amendment by inserting after the 6th indented paragraph after the title the following:

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1 'Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12954 in subsection 1 in paragraph C in the
2 2nd line (page 2, line 37 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "5" and inserting the
3 following: '3'

4 Amend the amendment on page 1 by striking out all of the last indented paragraph
5 (page 1, lines 32 to 34 in amendment) and inserting the following:

6 'Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12954 in subsection 2 in paragraph C in the
7 first line (page 3, line 4 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "loan;" the following: 'and'

8 Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12954 in subsection 2 in paragraph D in the
9 last line (page 3, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "5-year" and inserting the
10 following: '3-year'

11 Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12954 in subsection 2 in paragraph D in the
12 last line (page 3, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "; and" and inserting the
13 following: ';'

14 Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12954 in subsection 2 by striking out all of
15 paragraph E (page 3, line 9 in L.D.)

16 Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12956 in subsection 1 in the first line (page 4,
17 line 18 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "By January 1st of each year, the" and
18 inserting the following: 'The'

19 Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12956 in subsection 2 in the first 2 lines (page
20 4, lines 22 and 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "accept applications annually and
21 shall open the application cycle by February 1st of each year" and inserting the following:
22 'publicize the dates and deadlines of the application cycle using a method determined by
23 the authority'

24 Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12956 in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the
25 first line (page 4, line 30 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$150,000" and inserting
26 the following: '\$90,000'

27 Amend the amendment on page 2 by inserting after the first indented paragraph the
28 following:

29 'Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 441 in §12956 in subsection 3 in paragraph C in the
30 first line (page 4, line 32 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "5" and inserting the
31 following: '3'

32 Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 3 and 4.

33 Amend the bill by inserting after section 5 the following:

34 '**Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
35 allocations are made.

36 **FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE**

37 **Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program Fund N324**

38 Initiative: Provides base allocations to authorize the expenditure of funds received from
39 private and public sources for the repayment of student loans for eligible health care
40 providers and to pay the administrative costs of the fund.

41 **OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS** **2021-22** **2022-23**

1	All Other	\$500	\$500
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3	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$500</u>	<u>\$500</u>
4	Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program Fund N324		
5	Initiative: Provides base allocations to authorize the expenditure of funds received from		
6	federal sources for the repayment of student loans for eligible health care providers.		
7	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2021-22	2022-23
8	All Other	\$500	\$500
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10	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	<u>\$500</u>	<u>\$500</u>
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12	FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MAINE		
13	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
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15	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$500	\$500
16	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$500	\$500
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18	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>

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20 Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or

21 section number to read consecutively.

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This amendment does the following:

- 24 1. Adds a definition of "health care provider";
- 25 2. Removes the funding provisions related to the proceeds from the renewal of the
- 26 contract for the operations of the State’s wholesale spirits business under the Maine
- 27 Revised Statutes, Title 28-A, section 90 and allows for funding appropriated or allocated
- 28 from state and federal sources;
- 29 3. Removes the eligibility requirement that an applicant not be a current recipient of a
- 30 state-funded student loan;
- 31 4. Reduces the program duration from 5 years to 3 years and adjusts the total amount
- 32 that may be awarded accordingly;
- 33 5. Requires the Finance Authority of Maine to publicize the dates and deadlines of the
- 34 application cycle for the program using a method determined by the authority; and
- 35 6. Adds an appropriations and allocations section.

36 **SPONSORED BY:** _____

37 **(Representative BAILEY, K.)**

38 **TOWN: Gorham**