

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN

—
H.P. 1307 - L.D. 1874

**Resolve, To Ensure the Continued Provision of Services to Maine Children
and Families**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, to ensure the necessary and proper protection of children and families in the State this legislation must take effect immediately; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Community Partnerships for Protecting Children contracts. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following contractual agreements entered into by the Department of Health and Human Services must be continued by the department in accordance with this resolve through at least January 31, 2019:

1. Contracts awarded pursuant to RFP number 201509167, Community Partnerships for Protecting Children:
 - A. The Opportunity Alliance, agreement number CFS-17-8201;
 - B. Broadreach Family and Community Services, agreement number CFS-17-8203;
 - C. Community Concepts, agreement number CFS-17-8204; and
 - D. Penquis, agreement number CFS-17-8205; and
2. The contract awarded pursuant to RFP number 201608176, Community Concepts, agreement number CFS-17-8206.

If a contract identified in this section is in effect on the effective date of this resolve, the department may not terminate the contract before and must continue the contract through at least January 31, 2019, unless the contracting party voluntarily agrees to a

termination of the contract before that date or unless there is a material breach of contract by the contracting party sufficient to justify a termination under the terms of the contract. If a contract identified in this section has been terminated by the department prior to the effective date of this resolve, the department shall immediately offer and, unless the contracting party does not consent, immediately reenter a contract with that party on the same terms as the terminated contract and may not terminate the contract before and must continue the contract through at least January 31, 2019, unless the contracting party voluntarily agrees to a termination of the contract before that date or unless there is a material breach of contract by the contracting party sufficient to justify a termination under the terms of the contract; and be it further

Sec. 2. Department review. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall develop a plan for providing the services currently provided by the Community Partnerships for Protecting Children programs, including the Parents as Partners program, and the role of child abuse and neglect prevention councils. The department shall report the plan to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters by January 1, 2019. The joint standing committee may report out a bill on the subject matter of this resolve to the First Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.