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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to S.P. 205, L.D. 451, “An Act to Ensure Transparent and Accountable Temporary Nurse Agencies”

Amend the amendment on page 2 by striking out all of section 7 and inserting the following:

Sec. 7. 22 MRSA §3174-C, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 769, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§3174-C. Coverage for inpatient hospital mental disease treatment services

1. Reimbursement required. Provided that the federal maintenance-of-effort requirements are satisfied, the department shall provide reimbursement, under the United States Social Security Act, Title XIX, for inpatient psychiatric facility care and treatment of patients with mental diseases.

2. Legislative review for certain reimbursement rates. The department may not decrease the reimbursement rate for distinct psychiatric unit discharges for Northern Maine Medical Center or its successor hospital without legislative approval. Notwithstanding section 3173, rules decreasing the reimbursement rate under this subsection are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. 8. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Division of Licensing and Certification Z036

Initiative: Provides funding for one Comprehensive Health Planner II position to assist with the tracking of temporary nurse staffing agency registrations for administrative changes, complaint investigations, audits related to the new requirements and drafting the required annual report.

| GENERAL FUND | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Personal Services | \$39,228 | \$41,393 |
| All Other | \$2,549 | \$2,549 |
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|----|---|------------------|------------------|
| 1 | GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$41,777 | \$43,942 |
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| 3 | OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| 4 | Personal Services | \$61,356 | \$64,743 |
| 5 | All Other | \$5,565 | \$5,646 |
| 6 | | | |
| 7 | OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | \$66,921 | \$70,389 |
| 8 | Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147 | | |
| 9 | Initiative: Provides funding to maintain the current reimbursement rate for distinct | | |
| 10 | psychiatric unit discharges for Northern Maine Medical Center or its successor hospital | | |
| 11 | without legislative approval. | | |
| 12 | GENERAL FUND | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| 13 | All Other | \$157,120 | \$215,510 |
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| 15 | GENERAL FUND TOTAL | \$157,120 | \$215,510 |
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| 17 | FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| 18 | All Other | \$379,759 | \$500,699 |
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| 20 | FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL | \$379,759 | \$500,699 |
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| 22 | FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| 23 | All Other | \$25,621 | \$33,791 |
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| 25 | FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND TOTAL | \$25,621 | \$33,791 |
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| 28 | DEPARTMENT OF | | |
| 29 | DEPARTMENT TOTALS | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
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| 31 | GENERAL FUND | \$198,897 | \$259,452 |
| 32 | FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND | \$379,759 | \$500,699 |
| 33 | OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | \$66,921 | \$70,389 |
| 34 | FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND | \$25,621 | \$33,791 |
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| 36 | DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | \$671,198 | \$864,331 |

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 38 Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
 39 section number to read consecutively.

SENATE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services from decreasing the reimbursement rate for distinct psychiatric unit discharges for Northern Maine Medical Center or its successor hospital without legislative approval. It provides funding to maintain funding for the reimbursement rate. It also provides funding for a position to assist with tracking nurse staffing agency registrations.

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