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House of Representatives, December 21, 2015

## An Act To Require the State To Adequately Pay for Emergency Medical Services

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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Presented by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston. Cosponsored by Senator BAKER of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BEAVERS of South Berwick, BLACK of Wilton, DION of Portland, FOWLE of Vassalboro, MAKER of Calais, SHORT of Pittsfield, THERIAULT of China, TUELL of East Machias.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 3	Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-JJ, as amended by PL 2013, c. 441, §1, is further amended to read:
4	§3174-JJ. MaineCare reimbursement for ambulance services
5 6 7 8 9 10	The department shall reimburse for ambulance services under MaineCare at a level that is not less than the average allowable reimbursement rate under Medicare for such services or at the highest percent of that level that is possible within resources appropriated for those purposes. Beginning March 1, 2015, the department shall reimburse for ambulance services under MaineCare at a level that is not less than 65% of the average allowable reimbursement rate under Medicare for such services.
11	SUMMARY
12 13	This bill changes the law to ensure that MaineCare reimbursement for ambulance services is not less than the average Medicare allowable rate.