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Senator Joseph Baldacci, Chair  
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Re: LD 1224 – *Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Seek Federal Approval for Reimbursement of Community-based Mobile Crisis Intervention Services*

Senator Baldacci, Representative Meyer, and Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services:

This letter is to provide information on LD 1224, *Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Seek Federal Approval for Reimbursement of Community-based Mobile Crisis Intervention Services*. This resolve directs the Department to submit to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) any waivers or state plan amendments determined necessary in order to reimburse community-based mobile crisis intervention services.

MaineCare is already well into the process of doing this work. The State Plan Amendment (SPA) hasn't been submitted yet, but the Department received a CMS planning grant and have been working with stakeholders over the last year to develop this service. The Department is already mid-way through the process to determine rates for the new community-based mobile crisis intervention services. The goal is for the service to be effective fall 2023 and the SPA to be submitted this fiscal year.

We wanted you to be aware of the above information as you consider this bill going forward. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Probert".

Michelle Probert  
Director  
MaineCare Services