

## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN

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H.P. 120 - L.D. 145

**Resolve, Regarding the Presence of the Department of Health and Human  
Services in Urban and Rural Areas**

**Sec. 1. Review and report. Resolved:** That the Department of Health and Human Services shall review the distribution of offices of the department throughout the State and the means by which the department provides necessary departmental presence and staffing to residents of the State in urban and rural areas. The department shall consider the needs of all residents, both young and old, and the reasons residents are visiting the department. The department shall consider traditional office-based services, part-time and donated office space, delivery of services by mobile means and by having personnel visit with residents in their homes and new options created by advancements in technology. By January 1, 2014 the department shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services on the results of the department's review and the options for and costs of improved service delivery. The report must include the costs and benefits of several options and the recommendations of the department.