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**An Act To Increase the Amount of Money a Resident  
in a Nursing Home May Spend on Personal Expenses**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3274-A**, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 563, §4, is amended to read:

**§ 3274-A. Personal needs of nursing home residents**

In administering this chapter, the department shall ensure that eligible individuals residing in nursing homes, as defined in section 1812-A, shall have at least ~~\$30~~\$50 a month for personal needs.

**SUMMARY**

This bill increases the amount of money a nursing home resident may retain for personal expenses.