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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 338, L.D. 1105, “Resolve, To Study Oral Health Care in Maine and Make Recommendations Regarding How To Address Maine's Oral Health Care Needs”

Amend the resolve in the preamble by striking out all of the last Whereas paragraph (page 1, lines 13 and 14 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

**'Whereas,** this resolve directs the Executive Director of the Legislative Council to designate Medical Care Development, Inc. to contract with a qualified consultant to conduct a study of Maine's oral health care needs; now, therefore, be it'

Amend the resolve by striking out all of sections 1 and 2 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. Oral health care needs; study. Resolved:** That the Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall request Medical Care Development, Inc. to conduct a study, without any cost to the State, pursuant to this resolve. Medical Care Development, Inc. shall solicit funds to pay for the cost of the study. Upon receiving adequate funding, Medical Care Development, Inc. shall contract with a qualified consultant that has sufficient resources and experience to perform a study of the State's oral health care needs that examines the type and geographic distribution of oral health care providers and analyzes barriers to oral health care in the State. The Department of Health and Human Services shall cooperate with Medical Care Development, Inc. by providing assistance in obtaining relevant information and data. In conducting the study, Medical Care Development, Inc. shall invite the input of members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development and shall seek the advice of statewide organizations representing dentists, dental hygienists, low-income persons, federally qualified health centers and dental clinics. The study may reference or incorporate information from other relevant research. The study must specifically examine and report on:

- 1. Existing public and private financial resources for oral health care in the State;
- 2. Limitations on access to oral health care for citizens of the State;

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

