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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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127TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 723, L.D. 1054, Bill, “An Act To Provide Funding for Head Start Services”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)
Head Start 0545**

Initiative: Provides funding for Head Start services to be used to maximize the State's share of federal block grant dollars under the federal Child Care and Development Fund Program.

FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE	2015-16	2016-17
All Other	\$575,000	\$575,000
FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE TOTAL	<u>\$575,000</u>	<u>\$575,000</u>

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is a minority report of the committee, provides funding to the Head Start program within the Department of Health and Human Services, but instead of the General Fund appropriations proposed in the bill, this amendment provides \$575,000 per fiscal year to the Head Start program from the Fund for a Healthy Maine. The increase in funding may be used by the department to draw down available federal child care and development funds.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT