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126TH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 417, L.D. 598, “Resolve, Directing All Relevant Agencies of State Government To Work in Concert with a Plan To End and Prevent Homelessness To Ensure That Resources Are Available To End Homelessness in the State”

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the first line (page 1, line 18 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**align their budgets**" and inserting the following: '**work to align their resources**'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 5th and 6th lines (page 1, lines 22 and 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "align their budgets" and inserting the following: 'work to align their resources'

Amend the resolve in section 1 by striking out all of the last 2 sentences (page 1, lines 28 to 34 in L.D.) and inserting the following: 'Each relevant state agency shall focus its resources in accordance with the plan immediately with the goal of reducing the rate of homelessness by 25% per year and eradicating homelessness in the State within 4 years of the effective date of this resolve. The relevant state agencies shall work collectively with other advocates of the homeless and providers of services to the homeless.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, removes the requirement for state agencies to align their budgets in concert with "Maine's Plan to End & Prevent Homelessness" but retains the requirement for state agencies to work to align their resources and efforts in concert with the plan. The amendment also clarifies that state agencies are to focus their resources with the immediate goal of reducing the rate of homelessness.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT