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Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Adjust Reimbursement Rates for Certain Home-based Services

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 15, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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Presented by Representative STOVER of Boothbay.

- Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to increase reimbursement rates for home-based services. Resolved: That, by January 15, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services shall increase the hourly reimbursement rates for home-based services:
 - A. By 39% for registered nurse and licensed practical nurse services provided under the waiver services provisions of rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 19;
 - B. By 39% for registered nurse, licensed practical nurse and independent registered nurse services provided under the provisions of rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 96; and
 - C. By 39% for registered nurse, licensed practical nurse and independent registered nurse services provided under the provisions of rule Chapter 5: Office of Aging and Disability Services Policy Manual, Section 63.
- Sec. 2. Department of Health and Human Services to index reimbursement rates for certain home-based services. Resolved: That, by January 15, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services shall index the reimbursement rates for home-based services provided under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 40 to the low-utilization payment adjustment rate in accordance with 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 484.230.

20 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to increase reimbursement rates for nursing services for certain home-based services by January 15, 2022 and to index the reimbursement rates for certain home-based services provided under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 40 to the low-utilization payment adjustment rate by January 15, 2022.