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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, To Establish Uniform Protocols
for the Use of Controlled Substances'**

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

'Sec. 1 Board of Licensure in Medicine to convene stakeholders to develop common protocols for the use and administration of controlled substances. Resolved: That the Board of Licensure in Medicine shall convene a group of stakeholders, including but not limited to representatives from the State Board of Nursing, the Board of Osteopathic Licensure, the Board of Dental Examiners, the Maine Board of Pharmacy, the State Board of Veterinary Medicine and the Board of Licensure of Podiatric Medicine and the Director of the Office of Substance Abuse within the Department of Health and Human Services, to develop common protocols for the use and administration of controlled substances, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 7246, for use by licensed prescribers. The protocol must be developed no later than February 1, 2010. The Board of Licensure in Medicine shall notify the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development of the protocol. The joint standing committee is authorized to submit legislation regarding the protocol to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that directs the Board of Licensure in Medicine to convene stakeholders to develop common protocols for the use and administration of controlled substances for adoption by all licensed prescribers by February 1, 2010. The Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development is authorized to submit legislation on the subject matter of the resolve to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)