



# 125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 11, 2011

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**Resolve, To Update the Study Regarding the Feasibility of  
Establishing a Single-payor Health Care System**

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Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Heather J.R. Priest'.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAUDOIN of Biddeford.  
Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York and  
Representatives: DILL of Cape Elizabeth, GOODE of Bangor, MALONEY of Augusta,  
PETERSON of Rumford, ROCHELO of Biddeford, TREAT of Hallowell, Senator: PATRICK  
of Oxford.

1           **Sec. 1. Update to feasibility study. Resolved:** That the Legislature shall  
2 contract with a qualified consultant to update the December 2002 document titled  
3 "Feasibility Study of a Single-payer Health Plan Model for the State of Maine" produced  
4 by Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. The Legislature shall seek outside grant funding to  
5 fully fund all costs of the updated study, which may not exceed \$60,000. If sufficient  
6 outside funding has not been received by the Legislature by October 1, 2011 to fully fund  
7 all costs of the updated study, no expenses of any kind related to the study may be  
8 incurred. The updated study must be submitted no later than January 3, 2012 to the  
9 Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature. The joint standing committee of the  
10 Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters may submit  
11 legislation based on the updated feasibility study to the Second Regular Session of the  
12 125th Legislature; and be it further

13           **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the following  
14 appropriations and allocations are made.

15 **LEGISLATURE**

16 **Legislature 0081**

17 Initiative: Appropriates funds to the Legislature to contract for professional services for  
18 grant writing and other technical assistance. The \$60,000 allocation is required to expend  
19 any outside grant received to fund updating the 2002 study.

20	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2012-13</b>
21	All Other	\$5,750	\$0
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23	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$5,750	\$0

24	<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2012-13</b>
25	All Other	\$60,000	\$0
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27	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$60,000	\$0

28 **SUMMARY**

29           This resolve requires the Legislature to hire a consultant to update "Feasibility Study  
30 of a Single-payer Health Plan Model for the State of Maine," originally completed in  
31 2002.