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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 312, L.D. 432, “Resolve, To Improve Behavioral Health Care for Children”

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. Children's behavioral health services; collateral contacts. Resolved: That, no later than January 1, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 65, Behavioral Health Services, to make the following changes to reimburse for collateral contacts for children's home and community-based treatment:

- 1. Increase the number of billable collateral contact hours per year from 10 hours to 20 hours; and
- 2. Allow for collateral contacts between a mental health professional and other service providers to be conducted face-to-face, virtually or by telephone.

Sec. 2. Rehabilitative and community support services for children with developmental disabilities; collateral contacts. Resolved: That, no later than January 1, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 28, Rehabilitative and Community Support Services for Children with Cognitive Impairments and Functional Limitations, to reimburse for 24 hours per year of collateral contacts between behavioral health professionals and other professionals and caregivers from other agencies who are included in the development of the Individual Treatment Plan. The collateral contacts may be conducted face-to-face, virtually or by telephone.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 Initiative: Provides funding to increase children's home and community-based treatment
2 collateral services in the Department of Health and Human Services rule Chapter 101:
3 MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 65, Behavioral Health Services, and rule
4 Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 28, Rehabilitative and
5 Community Support Services for Children with Cognitive Impairments and Functional
6 Limitations.

7	GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
8	All Other	\$66,085	\$132,972
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10	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$66,085</u>	<u>\$132,972</u>

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12	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2021-22	2022-23
13	All Other	\$119,932	\$239,061
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15	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	<u>\$119,932</u>	<u>\$239,061</u>

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17 Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
18 section number to read consecutively.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This amendment replaces the resolve. It doubles the number of hours of reimbursable
21 collateral contacts for children's home and community-based treatment from 10 hours a
22 year to 20 hours under Department of Health and Human Services rule Chapter 101:
23 MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 65. It allows for collateral contacts to be reimbursed
24 if conducted virtually or by telephone, in addition to face-to-face. The amendment also
25 requires the reimbursement of collateral contacts, in addition to currently allowable care
26 coordination, for 24 hours a year under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual,
27 Section 28. It also allows for 24 hours of collateral contacts to be conducted face-to-face,
28 virtually or by telephone.

29 The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

30 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

31 **(See attached)**