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An Act To Limit Payment for Care and Treatment of Residents of State Institutions

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Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §1409, sub-§1, ¶B-1**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 256, §1, is
3 amended to read:

4 B-1. "Resident," for purposes of this section and this section only, means any of the
5 following:

6 (1) A person who is an inpatient; or

7 (2) A person who is an outpatient receiving services from any state institution,
8 including outpatient clinic services; ~~or~~

9 ~~(3) A resident of the Homestead facility.~~

10 **Sec. 2. 34-B MRSA §1409, sub-§1, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 683, Pt. B,
11 §30, is repealed.

12 **Sec. 3. 34-B MRSA §1409, sub-§11, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 459, §7, is
13 amended to read:

14 A. This subsection may not be construed as a limitation on compensation for
15 providers of resident care and treatment; ~~and~~

16 **Sec. 4. 34-B MRSA §1409, sub-§11, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 459, §7, is
17 amended to read:

18 B. This subsection may not be construed as a limitation on contractual arrangements
19 between the providers and the State; ~~and~~

20 **Sec. 5. 34-B MRSA §1409, sub-§11, ¶C** is enacted to read:

21 C. For a resident receiving services, including medical care, goods, prescription
22 drugs and other medications, outside a state institution, the commissioner may pay
23 the provider of those services an amount no greater than the reimbursement rate
24 applicable to that provider and that service, as established by rule by the department
25 for the MaineCare program under Title 22.

26 **Sec. 6. 34-B MRSA §1409, sub-§13**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 256, §4, is
27 further amended to read:

28 **13. Special revenue account; Riverview Psychiatric Center.** The commissioner
29 shall establish a special revenue account for the Riverview Psychiatric Center ~~and the~~
30 ~~Homestead facility~~ and shall deposit into it payments or income received from residents
31 of the Riverview Psychiatric Center ~~and the Homestead facility~~, the Medicaid program or
32 other 3rd-party payors. The commissioner shall use the funds on deposit for expenses of
33 the Riverview Psychiatric Center ~~and the Homestead facility~~.

34 **SUMMARY**

35 This bill limits the amount that a provider may charge the State for medical services
36 provided to a resident of a state institution outside of the state institution; the amount is

1 restricted to the amount established by the rules of the Department of Health and Human
2 Services for the MaineCare program for those services. The bill also removes references
3 to the Homestead facility, which closed in 2007.