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**Resolve, To Ensure Appropriate Personal Needs Allowances for
Persons Residing in Long-term Care Facilities**

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield.
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Representatives: DOORE of Augusta, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, McCREIGHT of
Harpwell, MEYER of Eliot, O'NEIL of Saco, ROBERTS of South Berwick.

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Sec. 2. Personal needs allowance for residents of residential care facilities.
Resolved: That, by January 1, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend the rules for the MaineCare program to increase the personal needs allowance for persons residing in residential care facilities. The rules must provide for an increase in the personal needs allowance from \$70 per month to \$100 per month. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its MaineCare rules to provide for increases in the personal needs allowances of residents in nursing facilities and residential care facilities. The rules are designated as routine technical rules.