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Floor Amendment to SB 178

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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3 1 Department of Health and Human Services; Laboratory Services; Reimbursements;
4 Rulemaking. RSA 131:4 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

5 131:4 Laboratory Services, Fees, and Rulemaking; Lab Equipment and Replacement Fund
6 Established.

7 I. The commissioner of the department of health and human services shall adopt rules
8 pursuant to RSA 541-A relative to a list of laboratory services to be provided under this chapter and
9 a schedule of fees for such services. The fees may be waived by the commissioner when the
10 commissioner determines it is in the best interests of the health of the public to do so.

11 II. Fees for analyses required by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act or offered as a service
12 shall be set by following the cost allocation method established for reimbursements to the state from
13 grants funded by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

14 III. Fees collected from state agencies shall be credited against the operating costs of the
15 laboratory.

16 IV. Fees collected from all others shall be deposited 50 percent in the general fund and 50
17 percent in a special nonlapsing lab equipment and replacement fund established in the state
18 treasury and kept separate and distinct from all other funds. The fund shall be continually
19 appropriated to the commissioner of the department of health and human services for the purchase
20 or replacement of laboratory equipment designed to improve service. The commissioner may, with
21 prior approval of the governor and council, use funds in the lab equipment and replacement fund for
22 unanticipated personnel or supply expenditures made necessary by unexpected changes in or
23 additions to federal or state required laboratory analyses or unusual volume of samples.