



**Fiscal Notes for
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128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 8

LR 372(03)

An Act To Provide Training for Forest Rangers To Carry Firearms

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-451)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$136,531	\$5,951	\$5,951	\$5,951
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$136,531	\$5,951	\$5,951	\$5,951

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill would modify certification standards of, and create a training program for, forest rangers within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to allow them to carry firearms in the line of duty. It directs the Maine Criminal Justice Academy (MCJA) to develop a forest ranger specific law enforcement training program in conjunction with the ACF.

This bill includes appropriations of \$87,899 to purchase firearms, ammunition, holsters and lockboxes to arm forest rangers, \$13,330 for firearms training and \$35,302 for overtime staffing in fiscal year 2017-18. Also, starting in fiscal year 2018-19 all forest rangers will complete annual firearms certification requiring an appropriation of \$5,951. The department has indicated that 50 Rangers currently classified as Forest Ranger II positions will need to be reclassified with a salary equivalent to a Game Warden or Marine Patrol Officer. If such a reclassification occurs the cost is estimated to be \$9,880 per position for a total of \$494,000. This cost is not included in this fiscal note.

Current statute provides that Forest Rangers have law enforcement authority but they are exempt from having to complete the Basic Law Enforcement Training Program (BLETP) required of other law enforcement officers because they do not carry a firearm. With the issuance of firearms the ACF has indicated that it will require forest rangers who have not already completed the BLETP to complete a newly developed forest ranger specific basic law enforcement training program within 5 years. Because this program has yet to be developed, no appropriation for this cost is made at this time. Currently there are 59 positions that would need to complete the newly created training program. The department projects that they will begin to cycle through training at a rate of 5 positions per year starting in fiscal year 2018-19. Using the current BLETP as an estimate, this training would have an annual cost of \$36,403 in tuition and \$72,366 for overtime to fill coverage requirements.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 20

LR 959(03)

An Act To Reimburse Nursing Homes for the Loss of Coinsurance and Deductibles for Skilled Nursing Beds under Rules Adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-39)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$492,810	\$636,217	\$636,217	\$636,217
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$492,810	\$636,217	\$636,217	\$636,217
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$1,048,270	\$1,335,101	\$1,335,101	\$1,335,101
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$77,815	\$103,754	\$103,754	\$103,754
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$1,048,270	\$1,335,101	\$1,335,101	\$1,335,101
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$77,815	\$103,754	\$103,754	\$103,754

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$492,810 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$636,217 in fiscal year 2018-19 to reimburse nursing homes for the losses of coinsurance and deductibles for skilled nursing beds under rules adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services as required in Public Law 2013, chapter 368, including an additional cost for Office of Information Technology development and testing of technological changes required under this bill. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included in this bill for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the Service Provider Tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 27

LR 503(03)

An Act To Exempt Sales to Parent-Teacher Organizations from the Sales Tax

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-100)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$7,350	\$10,094	\$10,079	\$10,381
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$7,350)	(\$10,094)	(\$10,079)	(\$10,381)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$150)	(\$206)	(\$530)	(\$546)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill proposes a sales tax exemption to parent-teacher organizations and would result in a reduction in General Fund revenue of \$7,350 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$10,094 in fiscal year 2018-19 and a reduction in Local Government Fund revenue of \$150 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$206 in fiscal year 2018-19.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 49

LR 83(04)

An Act To Improve Science and Engineering Education for Maine's Students

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-497)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$5,000	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$5,000	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations totaling \$5,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$105,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Learning Systems Team program within the Department of Education for the costs associated with including a core of science standards for kindergarten to grade 12 aligned to the "Next Generation Science Standards" in the statewide system of learning results beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Of the amounts, \$5,000 in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19 is provided for rulemaking, professional develop and technical assistance and \$100,000 is provided in fiscal year 2018-19 for the development and adoption of a new assessment for the science standards.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 59

LR 953(03)

An Act To Provide Funding for a Therapeutic Adult Day Service Center

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
 C "A" (H-168)
 Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$150,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 for start-up costs for the Maine Highlands Senior Center in Dover-Foxcroft to provide therapeutic adult day care.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 79

LR 552(03)

An Act To Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Career and Technical Student Organizations

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-27)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$3,872	\$2,019	\$2,016	\$2,076
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$1,372)	(\$2,019)	(\$2,016)	(\$2,076)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$28)	(\$41)	(\$106)	(\$109)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill creates a sales tax exemption for nonprofit career and technical student organizations and would result in a loss of General Fund and Local Government Fund revenue of \$1,372 and \$28, respectively, in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$2,019 and \$41, respectively, in fiscal year 2018-19. The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services of \$2,500 in fiscal year 2017-18 for programming costs.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 85

LR 59(03)

An Act Regarding Public Service Berthing Vessels Licensed for the Sale of Liquor

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-11)

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$45,889	\$66,973	\$68,846	\$70,772
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$57,789	\$78,873	\$80,746	\$82,672
Revenue				
General Fund	\$11,900	\$11,900	\$11,900	\$11,900

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$57,789 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$78,873 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services for one half-time Liquor License Inspector position, one half-time Office Associate II position and related All Other expenditures to implement new licensing and enforcement requirements of the bill.

The bill makes public service berthing vessels eligible for Class V liquor licenses to sell spirits, wine and malt liquor and adds a new single-event Class V liquor license with a fee of \$100 to the existing annual license with a fee of \$495. This fiscal note assumes revenue of \$11,900 annually from 20 new Class V liquor licenses and 20 new single-event Class V liquor licenses.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 105

LR 524(03)

An Act To Create the Substance Use Disorders Cabinet

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-645)
Committee: State and Local Government**

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill establishes the Substance Use Disorders Cabinet. State participation in cabinet activities includes the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Education, the Department of Labor, the Department of Public Safety and the Judicial Branch. It is expected that some duties required in the bill, such as organizing and combining resources, improving access to appropriate services, coordinating services and facilitating services will require additional funding. The bill requires funds be pooled from each department represented in the cabinet and requires that duties be carried out within existing budgeted resources. The cabinet is authorized to solicit and receive funds from various sources. Because no funding was provided in the bill, the impact on other programs and services cannot be determined.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 106

LR 65(03)

An Act To Provide MaineCare Coverage for Dental Services to Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-245)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$123,465	\$246,930	\$246,930	\$246,930
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$123,465	\$246,930	\$246,930	\$246,930
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$222,763	\$445,526	\$445,526	\$445,526

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$123,465 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$246,930 in fiscal year 2018-19 to expand MaineCare dental services to a person 21 years of age or older who receives home and community-based support benefits under the MaineCare program pursuant to a 1915(c) waiver. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 111

LR 350(08)

An Act To Establish an Additional Veterans Treatment Court

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-331)

H "B" (H-488) to C "A" (H-331)

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$135,800	\$139,400	\$139,400	\$139,400
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$135,800	\$139,400	\$139,400	\$139,400

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes annual General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$125,000 beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 for case management services provided by the Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services for a veterans treatment program.

This bill also includes General Fund appropriations of \$10,800 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$14,400 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Judicial Department to establish a Veterans Court. The Governor's biennial budget for the 2018-2019 biennium, LD 390, provides funding to increase the rate paid to Active Retired Judges. The appropriations in this bill may need to be revised based on final resolution of the biennial budget.

The funding in this bill is only for 4 years, fiscal year 2017-18 through fiscal year 2020-21.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 170

LR 1745(03)

An Act To Allow and Recognize a Legal Name Change upon Marriage

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-274)
Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$44,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$44,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$44,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the Office of Information Technology to deliver the technology updates and testing to change the marriage license and certificate. The delivery and testing for these changes will likely be part of the next available release of code, which will not happen until the first quarter of fiscal year 2019.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 173

LR 1275(03)

An Act To Reduce Food Insecurity

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-121)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes annual appropriations of \$2,500,000 to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry starting in fiscal year 2017-18 to contract with the Good Shepard Food Bank or a successor organization for statewide hunger relief services.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 174

LR 163(03)

An Act To Require Schools To Submit Pest Management Activity Logs and Inspection Results to the Board of Pesticides Control for the Purposes of Providing Information to the Public

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-374)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires local school administrative units to submit a pest management activity log to the Board of Pesticide Control by January 15th of each year for the previous calendar year. Local school administrative units currently prepare a pest management activity log with the required data pursuant to rules established by the Board of Pesticide Control.	School	Insignificant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 192

LR 359(03)

An Act To Require Insurance Coverage for Hearing Aids

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-177)
Committee: Insurance and Financial Services**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$53,991	\$53,991
Highway Fund	\$0	\$0	\$1,629	\$1,629
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$53,991	\$53,991
Highway Fund	\$0	\$0	\$1,629	\$1,629

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill has an effective date of January 1, 2019, so only contracts executed after January 1, 2019 will be required to meet the coverage in this bill. Thus, the State Employee Health Plan will require no General Fund appropriations or Highway Fund allocations in the current biennium. It is estimated that this bill will have an annual impact of \$53,991 to the General Fund and \$1,629 to the Highway Fund for the increased costs for coverage of hearing aids beginning on July 1, 2019.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 197

LR 556(03)

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Protect against Sex Discrimination

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-133)

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Referendum Costs

Month/Year	Election Type	Question	Length
Nov-17	General	Referendum	Standard

The Secretary of State's budget includes sufficient funds to accommodate one ballot of average length for the general election in November. If the number or size of the referendum questions requires production and delivery of a second ballot, an additional appropriation of \$107,250 may be required.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 230

LR 1287(04)

An Act To Increase Access to Head Start

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-66)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$2,575,000	\$2,575,000	\$2,575,000	\$2,575,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$2,575,000	\$2,575,000	\$2,575,000	\$2,575,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$2,575,000 beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 for the delivery of Head Start services.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 267

LR 990(03)

Resolve, To Increase Certain Chiropractic Reimbursement Rates under the MaineCare Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-21)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$25,955	\$51,909	\$51,909	\$51,909
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$25,955	\$51,909	\$51,909	\$51,909
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$46,829	\$93,658	\$93,658	\$93,658
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$46,829	\$93,658	\$93,658	\$93,658

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$25,955 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$51,909 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules in Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 15 to increase reimbursement rates for chiropractic services for manipulative treatments under procedure codes 98940, 98941 and 98942 to no less than 70% of the federal Medicare reimbursement rate for these services as long as the rate is no lower than the rate reimbursed as of January 1, 2017. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 270

LR 384(04)

An Act To Support Kinship Families by Creating a Kinship Care Navigator Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-673)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$80,000 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to contract with a nonprofit organization to provide statewide support to persons who are providing kinship care to children.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 274

LR 332(09)

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Working Group To Study Background Checks for Child Care Facilities and Providers

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "D" (H-686)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$100,536	\$103,546	\$106,663
Highway Fund	\$0	\$24,250	\$24,942	\$25,655
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$100,536	\$103,546	\$106,663
Highway Fund	\$0	\$24,250	\$24,942	\$25,655
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$339,206	\$230,042	\$233,986
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$0	\$540,000	\$216,000	\$216,000
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$540,000	\$216,000	\$216,000
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$0	\$540,000	\$216,000	\$216,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This fiscal note assumes 5000 background checks the 1st year, 2000 annually after that. These checks include fingerprint checks by the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and information searches by the Maine Background Check Center at the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

The bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$44,242 in fiscal year 2018-19 and a Highway Fund allocation \$24,250 in fiscal year 2018-19 and an Other Special Revenue Funds (OSRF) allocation of \$188,313 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the DPS for one Identification Specialist II position and related costs to process additional fingerprint checks. OSRF revenue will increase by \$260,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 from fees received at DPS for fingerprint checks.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 285

LR 1306(03)

An Act To Provide Funding for the Maine Coworking Development Fund

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-114)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$300,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Maine Coworking Development Fund within the Department of Economic and Community Development to support collaborative workspace businesses.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 288

LR 537(03)

An Act To Limit Questions Regarding Criminal History on State Employment Applications

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
 C "A" (H-242)
 Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$108,568	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$108,568	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$108,568 in fiscal year 2017-18 for the Department of Administrative and Financial Services for required computer modifications.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 289

LR 185(04)

An Act To Extend the Veteran Property Tax Exemption to Veterans Who Have Served on Active Duty

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-232)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Funded

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$15,000	\$430,000	\$445,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$15,000	\$430,000	\$445,000

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires municipalities to process additional property tax exemption applications as a result of expanding the exemption to any veteran at least 62 years of age who has served on active duty or has a qualifying disability.

Unit Affected

Municipality

Local Cost

\$15,000

The bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$15,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to reimburse municipalities for administrative costs associated with implementing this property tax exemption.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides a property tax exemption to veterans at least 62 years of age who have served on active duty or have qualifying disabilities. General Fund appropriations will be required beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 to reimburse municipalities for 50% of the exemption as required by the Maine Constitution, Article IV, Part 3, Section 23.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 320

LR 325(03)

An Act To Provide MaineCare Coverage for Chiropractic Treatment

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-199)
Committee: Health and Human Services**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$67,661	\$90,239	\$90,239	\$90,239
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$67,661	\$90,239	\$90,239	\$90,239
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$122,130	\$162,815	\$162,815	\$162,815
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$122,130	\$162,815	\$162,815	\$162,815

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$67,661 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$90,239 in fiscal year 2018-19 for chiropractic evaluation and management examinations to be reimbursed under the MaineCare program. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 323

LR 1771(03)

An Act To Fully Fund the Waiting List for the Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder Waiver

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-257)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$7,927,093	\$32,467,412	\$43,763,964	\$43,766,433
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$7,927,093	\$32,467,412	\$43,763,964	\$43,766,433
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$17,000,531	\$70,229,390	\$94,729,326	\$94,729,326
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,585,377	\$6,549,213	\$8,833,944	\$8,833,944
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$1,700,531	\$70,229,390	\$94,729,326	\$94,729,326
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,585,377	\$6,549,213	\$8,833,944	\$8,833,944

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$7,927,093 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$32,467,412 in fiscal year 2018-19 to fully fund the waiting list for community-based services provided under the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 21 relating to home and community benefits for members with intellectual disabilities or autistic disorder. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations are also included for the service provider tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 367

LR 2172(03)

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Government Oversight Committee To Develop a Long-range Strategic Plan for Economic Improvement in the State

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-493)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$270,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$270,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations totaling \$270,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$120,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Maine Economic Growth Council within the Department of Economic and Community Development to develop and maintain a long-range strategic economic improvement plan for the State. Of these amounts, \$150,000 is provided on a one-time basis in fiscal year 2017-18 for the initial development of the plan and \$120,000 is provided annually beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 for the ongoing costs of monitoring, assessing and revising the plan.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 377

LR 883(03)

Resolve, To Establish the York County Jail Drug Detoxification and Rehabilitation Pilot Program

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-112)
Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$975,000	\$975,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$975,000	\$975,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$975,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and fiscal year 2018-19 only for the Department of Corrections to fund the York County Jail Detoxification and Rehabilitation Pilot Program.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 401

LR 1008(03)

An Act To Require Reimbursement to Hospitals for Patients Awaiting Placement in Nursing Facilities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-109)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$17,690	\$35,390	\$35,390	\$35,390
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$17,690	\$35,390	\$35,390	\$35,390
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$31,932	\$63,854	\$63,854	\$63,854
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$31,932	\$63,854	\$63,854	\$63,854

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$17,690 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$35,390 in fiscal year 2018-19 to provide reimbursement to hospitals other than critical access hospitals for each day after the 10th day that a MaineCare-eligible individual is in the care of a hospital while awaiting placement in a nursing facility, beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2023. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 423

LR 199(05)

An Act To Extend Internet Availability in Rural Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-17)

H "A" (H-19)

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$50,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Maine State Library to provide mobile wireless hot spot devices to libraries in Washington County.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 503

LR 1814(03)

An Act To Continue the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-31)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$16,000,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$16,000,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$16,000,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Doctors For Maine's Future Scholarship Fund within the Finance Authority of Maine to establish an endowment to continue the Doctors for Maine's Future Scholarship Program established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 12103-A.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 513

LR 998(05)

An Act To Increase the Maximum Pension Deduction for State Income Tax

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "B" (S-119)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$20,251,700	\$28,118,160	\$41,470,350	\$58,325,250
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$20,251,700)	(\$28,118,160)	(\$41,470,350)	(\$58,325,250)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$603,210)	(\$1,074,050)	(\$2,993,005)	(\$4,319,900)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill increases the pension deduction from \$10,000 to \$35,000 over a 5 year period. It would result in a loss of General Fund revenue of \$20,251,700 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$28,118,160 in fiscal year 2018-19 and a loss of Local Government Fund revenue of \$413,210 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$574,050 in fiscal year 2018-19. It would also reduce revenue to the Fund to Advance Public Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education by \$190,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2018-19.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 524

LR 1244(03)

An Act To Amend the Laws on Domestic Violence

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-138)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$10,944	\$14,592	\$14,592	\$14,592
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$10,944	\$14,592	\$14,592	\$14,592

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increases the class of a crime from Class D to Class C, increases correctional and judicial costs.
The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$10,944 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$14,592 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services for the additional costs associated with increasing the class of crime for a third offense violation of a protection order.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 525

LR 1264(03)

An Act To Enhance Maine's Response to Domestic Violence

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-139)
Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations for the Department of Corrections of \$150,000 beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 for the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence to support certified batterers' intervention programs for indigent participant fees, training programs, transportation costs and administrative expenses for the coalition.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 526

LR 1991(06)

An Act To Remove the Cap on an Increase in the State Share of the Cost of Health Insurance for Retired Teachers

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "B" (H-42)

S "A" (S-41) to C "B" (H-42)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Removing the cap on the increase in the State's total cost for retired teachers' health insurance premiums will result in increased General Fund costs to the State for any year that the growth in premium costs exceeds the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, as defined in Title 5, section 17001, subsection 9, plus 3%.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 643

LR 1606(03)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Increase Reimbursement Rates for Home-based and Community-based Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-176)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$3,659,733	\$3,659,733	\$3,659,733
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$3,659,733	\$3,659,733	\$3,659,733
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$5,007,833	\$5,007,833	\$5,007,833
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$5,007,833	\$5,007,833	\$5,007,833

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$3,659,733 beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 to increase rates for certain services to be effective July 1, 2018. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 650

LR 215(03)

An Act To Clarify and Protect Certain Public Service Retirement Benefits

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-370)

Committee: Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Fiscal Note

Expansion of solemn contractual commitments of the State - retirement pension COLA

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Adding cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) to retirement benefits to the provisions that constitute solemn contractual commitments of the State may limit the State's future ability to decrease or eliminate the COLA provisions.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 656

LR 1800(03)

An Act To Improve the Ability of Maine Companies To Manufacture and Market Biobased Products

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-43)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Office of Innovation within the Department of Economic and Community Development for the Maine Technology Institute to provide competitive grants for the development, production and marketing of biobased products.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 681

LR 166(03)

An Act Regarding Sexual Activity and Sexual Assault at Secondary and Postsecondary Educational Institutions

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-505)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires that instruction involving affirmative consent, communication and decision making regarding sexual activity and the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants and narcotics on the ability to give affirmative consent be included in a secondary school's course of study in health, safety and physical education.	School	Moderate statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Education to include affirmative consent, communication and decision making regarding sexual activity and the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants and narcotics on the ability to give affirmative consent in the commissioner's review of the content standards and performance indicators for the health, physical education and wellness content area during the 2017-2018 school year can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 687

LR 1156(03)

Resolve, Regarding Reimbursement for Speech and Language Pathology Services

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-382)
Committee: Health and Human Services**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$182,457	\$182,509	\$182,509	\$182,509
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$182,457	\$182,509	\$182,509	\$182,509
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$329,345	\$329,294	\$329,294	\$329,294
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$329,345	\$329,294	\$329,294	\$329,294

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$182,457 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$182,509 in fiscal year 2018-19 for increased reimbursement of certain speech and language pathology services currently provided under Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 109, Speech and Hearing Services. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 692

LR 416(03)

Resolve, To Provide Meals to Homebound Individuals

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-578)
Committee: Health and Human Services**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$500,000 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to provide meals to additional homebound individuals and to be used to leverage all federal funds available.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 700

LR 1227(05)

An Act To Give Flexibility to Employees and Employers for Temporary Layoffs

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-749)

S "A" (S-456) to C "A" (H-749)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - Unemployment Trust Fund

Potential future biennium revenue increase - Unemployment Trust Fund

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Appropriations/Allocations				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$71,200	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time Federal Expenditures Fund allocation of \$71,200 in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Employment Security Services program within the Department of Labor for the cost of making computer programming updates to implement changes to eligibility requirements for unemployment benefits.

Creating exemptions from eligibility requirements individuals must meet to qualify for unemployment benefits will increase costs to the Unemployment Trust Fund within the Department of Labor beginning in fiscal year 2018-19. The department estimates the cost to be between \$3.8 million and \$43.2 million per year in benefits being paid to individuals not actively searching for work and potentially not returning to work as soon as they would have had the exemptions not been in place. The actual impact to the Trust Fund will depend on the number of individuals who take advantage of the exemptions.

Higher benefit costs may impact future employer contribution rates if the impact to the Trust Fund results in a higher contribution rate schedule. The contribution rate schedule formula uses the balance of the Unemployment Trust Fund as of September 30 as a factor in determining whether a change in the contribution rate schedule is required. Such a change would bring in an estimated \$18.0 million annually from employers.

Additional costs to the Department of Labor to conduct the required examination and submit the required report by January 15, 2021 can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 720

LR 1705(03)

An Act To Provide Lung Cancer Screening for MaineCare Recipients

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-86)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$146,612	\$146,654	\$146,654	\$146,654
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$146,612	\$146,654	\$146,654	\$146,654
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$264,643	\$264,601	\$264,601	\$264,601
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$264,643	\$264,601	\$264,601	\$264,601

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$146,612 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$146,654 in fiscal year 2018-19 for an annual screening for lung cancer for certain MaineCare recipients who have a history of smoking. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 768

LR 1645(03)

An Act To Simplify Nonresident Hunting and Fishing Licenses

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-615)
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$5,132	\$10,264	\$10,264
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$5,132)	(\$10,264)	(\$10,264)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill will eliminate all alien hunting and fishing licenses issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IFW) and would allow persons who are not United States citizens to purchase nonresident hunting and fishing licenses instead. Starting January 1, 2019, the purchase of nonresident hunting and fishing licenses, which are less expensive than alien hunting and fishing licenses in all categories, will reduce General Fund revenue by \$5,132 in fiscal year 2018-19 and by \$10,264 annually thereafter.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 781

LR 1987(03)

An Act To Support the Trades through a Tax Credit for Apprenticeship Programs

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-416)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$164,074	\$2,618,417	\$2,547,301	\$2,551,285
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$164,074	\$168,417	\$172,301	\$176,285
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$2,450,000)	(\$2,375,000)	(\$2,375,000)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$50,000)	(\$125,000)	(\$125,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides an income tax credit for apprenticeship programs and would reduce General Fund revenue by \$2,450,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 and reduce Local Government Fund revenue by \$50,000 in fiscal year 2018-19. The bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$33,000 to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services in fiscal year 2017-18 for programming costs to add a line to the income tax form.

This bill also includes General Fund appropriations of \$131,074 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$168,417 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Employment Services Activity program within the Department of Labor for one Labor Program Specialist position and one Office Specialist I position and related All Other costs needed due to an expected increase in workload as a result of the tax credit for employers who employ an apprentice participating in an approved apprenticeship program.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 792

LR 1940(03)

An Act To Authorize Funding for Transitional Housing for Women Veterans and Their Families

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
 C "A" (H-58)
 Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides a one-time General Fund appropriation in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management for the Betsy Ann Ross House of Hope to provide housing for women veterans and their families in transition.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 816

LR 1526(03)

An Act To Promote Academic Achievement through Hunger Relief for Maine Children

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-150)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$346,356	\$246,356	\$246,356	\$246,356
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$346,356	\$246,356	\$246,356	\$246,356

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$346,356 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$246,356 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the School Finance and Operations program within the Department of Education for the costs associated with the State funding \$0.20 of the difference between the federal reimbursements for reduced-price school lunches and free school lunches for every reduced price lunch at every public school participating in the National School Lunch Program. Of that amount, \$100,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 is required on a one-time basis in order for the department to modify the existing school meal software application. The balance of \$246,356 is required for the ongoing annual cost to fund the difference between the 2 lunch programs. This estimate is based on 2016 data in which 1,231,779 reduced lunches were served.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 842

LR 1956(05)

Resolve, To Support Home Health Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "B" (H-728)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$143,697	\$143,697	\$143,697
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$143,697	\$143,697	\$143,697
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$261,312	\$261,312	\$261,312

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$143,697 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to increase the reimbursement rates for home health services under the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 40. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 843

LR 1491(03)

An Act To Adjust the Formula for Calculating the Allocation of Moose Permits for Hunting Lodges

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
 C "A" (H-217)
 Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$20,176	\$20,176	\$20,176	\$20,176
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$20,176)	(\$20,176)	(\$20,176)	(\$20,176)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$58,240	\$58,240	\$58,240	\$58,240

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill reduces the number of moose hunting permits issued to nonresidents from 10% to 8% and changes the number issued to hunting outfitters from 10% of the number of permits that exceed 3,140 (not expected to exceed 3,140 in near future, due to decreased moose population) to 2% of total permits issued. The bill also directs that if the proceeds from the auction of moose hunting permits to fund youth conservation education programs are less than \$107,000, then the proceeds from moose hunting outfitters permits will be used to make up the difference, with the remainder deposited into the Moose Research and Management Fund (MRMF).

The change to hunting outfitters moose hunting permits will increase the number of these permits issued and the amount of revenue to the MRMF. The reduction in permits issued to nonresidents will decrease General Fund and MRMF. Overall, these changes are anticipated to reduce General Fund revenue by an estimated \$20,176 and increase MRMF Other Special Revenue Funds revenue by an estimated \$58,240 annually beginning in fiscal year 2017-18.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 902

LR 1199(03)

Resolve, To Develop MaineCare Reimbursement Rates for Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-726)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$50,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to contract with a third party to conduct a rate study to develop certain rates under rule Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 65 to be completed no later than January 1st, 2019. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 966

LR 2063(05)

An Act Regarding Persons with Mental Illness and Substance Use Disorders in Jails and Correctional Facilities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-700)

S "A" (S-441) to C "A" (H-700)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Exempted

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,560	\$11,560	\$21,560
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,560	\$11,560	\$21,560

State Mandates

Required Activity

Submit information gathered from a nationally validated screening and assessment tool related to the mental health condition and substance use disorder needs of persons entering jail.

Unit Affected

County

Local Cost

Moderate statewide

Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House exempts the State from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional costs.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides an ongoing appropriation of \$1,560 to the Legislature for the costs of legislators serving on the Statewide Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. The Department of Public Safety will require a General Fund appropriation of \$10,000 in fiscal year 2019-20 for the administrative cost to support the Council. Additional costs to the Department of Corrections and the Department of Health and Human Services associated with this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 967

LR 1785(04)

An Act To Ensure Access to Community Services for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-342)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$26,561,542	\$26,532,328	\$26,532,328	\$26,532,328
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$26,561,542	\$26,532,328	\$26,532,328	\$26,532,328
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$57,602,398	\$57,555,293	\$57,555,293	\$57,555,293
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$5,367,295	\$5,367,295	\$5,367,295	\$5,367,295
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$57,602,398	\$57,555,293	\$57,555,293	\$57,555,293
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$5,367,295	\$5,367,295	\$5,367,295	\$5,367,295

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$26,561,542 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$26,532,328 in fiscal year 2018-19 due to a change in the rates provided for home-based and community-based care for individuals with intellectual disabilities or autism and to update and test changes to the Enterprise Information System. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the service provider tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 990

LR 49(09)

An Act To Prevent Violence against Law Enforcement Officers, Emergency Medical Care Providers and Firefighters

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-265)

H "B" (H-542) to C "A" (S-265)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increases the class of a crime from Class C to Class B, increases correctional, indigent legal and judicial costs. The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 998

LR 1834(03)

An Act To Adequately Pay for Emergency Medical Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-296)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$231,334	\$694,198	\$694,198	\$694,198
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$231,334	\$694,198	\$694,198	\$694,198
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$417,570	\$1,252,515	\$1,252,515	\$1,252,515
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$417,570	\$1,252,515	\$1,252,515	\$1,252,515

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$231,334 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$694,198 in fiscal year 2018-19 to increase the reimbursement rate for ambulance services to 70% of the average allowable reimbursement rate under Medicare beginning March 1, 2018. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1000

LR 1174(03)

Resolve, To Increase Access to Brain Injury Waiver Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-295)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$233,169	\$310,997	\$310,997	\$310,997
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$233,169	\$310,997	\$310,997	\$310,997
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$506,052	\$674,631	\$674,631	\$674,631
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$47,184	\$62,912	\$62,912	\$62,912
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$506,052	\$674,631	\$674,631	\$674,631
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$47,184	\$62,912	\$62,912	\$62,912

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$233,169 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$310,997 in fiscal year 2018-19 to increase the rates for services provided under the brain injury waiver, Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 18 for members receiving Home Support (Residential Habilitation) Level I to no less than \$8.63 per quarter hour and to allow up to 400 units of care coordination each year. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations are included for the service provider tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1006

LR 2057(03)

An Act Regarding Housing Insecurity of Older Citizens

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-210)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$46,200	\$46,200	\$46,200	\$46,200
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$46,200	\$46,200	\$46,200	\$46,200

Legislative Cost/Study

The bill also includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$1,000 per year to the Legislature beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 for the costs of one Senator and one member of the House of Representatives to participate on the Advisory Council on Senior Housing.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill also includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$45,200 per year beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Advisory Council on Senior Housing established within the Maine State Housing Authority to study the unmet need for affordable housing units for elderly residents in the State and the financial burden of home modifications and repairs necessary to allow elderly residents to remain in their homes. Of this amount, \$2,000 per year is for general administrative costs and \$43,200 is for one part-time position to provide staff support to the council.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1091

LR 540(03)

An Act To Implement Certain Recommendations of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission Relative to the Maine Criminal Code and Related Statutes

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-361)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Establishes new Class C crimes; increases correctional, indigent legal services and judicial costs.
The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$3,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$6,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services due to changes in the list of predicate offenses for certain domestic violence cases.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1095

LR 420(03)

An Act To Establish the Maine Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-625)

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750

Legislative Cost/Study

The additional costs of providing staffing assistance to the commission during the interim can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted resources.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Includes an ongoing General Fund appropriation of \$1,750 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Legislature for the costs of the Maine Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission. Any additional costs for the departments and agencies with members appointed to the commission are assumed to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1109

LR 1843(06)

An Act To Establish Homelessness as an Emergency in the General Assistance Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "B" (S-409)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill defines homelessness and establishes it as an emergency for the purposes of being granted General Assistance (GA), assuming applicant is not otherwise ineligible or disqualified from receiving GA. By being deemed an emergency, municipalities would be allowed to go over the normal monthly cap on housing expenditures in GA. This will potentially increase assistance payments made by municipalities and increase amounts reimbursed to municipalities by the Department of Health and Human Services. A more precise estimate of the fiscal impact is not possible because recipient data related to number of months on assistance, amounts paid to each recipient, number of recipients who return and the frequency of emergency status resides at the municipal level and varies over time.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1127

LR 1088(03)

An Act To Provide Occupants of Motor Vehicles with Gold Star Family Registration Plates Free Entry to State Parks

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-376)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$10,575	\$10,575	\$10,575	\$10,575
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$10,575)	(\$10,575)	(\$10,575)	(\$10,575)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill would allow motor vehicles with a gold star license plate free entry to all state parks. This is estimated to reduce General Fund revenue by \$10,575 annually. This estimate was made using the assumptions listed below:

total active gold star license plates	188 cars
29% already buy annual park passes	55 annual passes
55 passes not sold @ \$105 each	\$ 5,775 revenue loss from passes not sold
71% do not buy annual passes	133 cars
133 cars make 1.5 park visits each year	200 car visits
4 people in car each visit	800 day trips
\$6 per adult visit	\$ 4,800 revenue loss from day trips not sold
	\$ 5,775
	\$ 4,800
Estimated revenue loss	<u>\$ 10,575</u>



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1130

LR 198(05)

An Act To Provide Traffic Safety Education in Schools

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-469)

H "A" (H-537) to C "A" (H-469)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Funded

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$34,088	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$34,088	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires school administrative units to implement and annually provide a minimum of one hour of age-appropriate traffic safety education to students in 4 different grade levels between kindergarten and grade 12.

Unit Affected

School

Local Cost

\$34,088

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$34,088 in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Learning Systems program within the Department of Education for 90% of the cost to school administrative units to implement and annually provide age-appropriate traffic safety education to students in at least 4 different grade levels between grade 4 and grade 12.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This fiscal note makes the following assumptions:

- 1) One-half of kindergarten to grade 8 schools will obtain age-appropriate curriculum for 3 grade levels between grade 4 and grade 8 that meets the requirements of this legislation at no cost and will devote one hour acclimating themselves to the curriculum. The remaining schools will have a presenter come into the school to present the traffic and safety education program at no cost to the school.
- 2) One-half of the public high schools in the State will obtain age-appropriate curriculum for 1 grade level between 9th and 12th grade that meets the requirements of this legislation at no cost and will devote one hour acclimating themselves to the curriculum. The remaining high schools will have a presenter come into the school to present the traffic and safety education program at no cost to the school.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1133

LR 871(03)

An Act Regarding Access to Appropriate Residential Services for Individuals Being Discharged from Psychiatric Hospitalization

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:**C "A" (H-760)****Committee: Health and Human Services**

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund
Current biennium cost increase - Federal Expenditures Fund
Potential current biennium savings - General Fund
Potential current biennium savings - Federal Expenditures Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment allows a residential service provider to apply to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for time-limited services in order to meet a patient's needs when the patient requires reasonable accommodations or a higher level of care for admission or readmission to the residential service provider. It directs the DHHS to provide the residential service provider with technical support in seeking MaineCare reimbursement, when applicable. Implementing this bill will increase MaineCare costs for residential care facilities (RCF), as some members will receive additional services. However, that increase could potentially be offset by the savings that occur when moving a member to this lower cost setting from a higher cost inpatient facility. This bill will be repealed July 1, 2020, allowing the department to gather information about the cost and savings associated with these members and report back to the legislature with their findings. As it is not known precisely what services will be required, how many members will receive the services, how much sooner they are readmitted to the RCF and the associated savings achieved by moving from a higher cost inpatient facility to a lower cost RCF, a more complete estimate cannot be made at this time.

It has been estimated that 10 to 25 individuals would apply for this service in a given year, based on the experience in previous years, so the additional costs to the DHHS to receive and process the applications and report to the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over health and human services matters on the outcomes are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1162

LR 322(06)

An Act To Reduce the Incidence of Obesity and Chronic Disease in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-380)

S "A" (S-420) to C "A" (S-380)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$38,277	\$38,277	\$38,277
Appropriations/Allocations				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$69,061	\$69,061	\$69,091
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$38,277	\$38,277	\$38,277
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$69,061	\$69,061	\$69,061

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes Fund for a Healthy Maine allocations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$38,277 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to provide reimbursement under the MaineCare program for medical nutritional therapy provided by physicians or licensed dietitians. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1188

LR 960(03)

An Act To Facilitate MaineCare-Funded Assisted Living by Providing a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Private Nonmedical Institutions and Adult Family Care Homes

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-330)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,075,102	\$2,643,217	\$4,258,375
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,075,102	\$2,643,217	\$4,258,375
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$1,816,460	\$4,465,895	\$7,194,814
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$177,155	\$435,547	\$701,692
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$1,816,460	\$4,465,895	\$7,194,814
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$177,155	\$435,547	\$701,692

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$1,075,102 in fiscal year 2018-19 for a 2.1% cost-of-living rate increase for adult family care homes and Appendix C private non-medical institutions for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. The bill also includes Federal Expenditures Fund for the FMAP and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the service provider tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1190

LR 904(05)

An Act Regarding Driver's License Suspensions for Nondriving-related Violations

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-532)

H "A" (H-550) to C "A" (H-532)

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$142,968	\$190,625	\$190,625	\$190,625
Highway Fund	\$142,968	\$190,625	\$190,625	\$190,625
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$142,968)	(\$190,625)	(\$190,625)	(\$190,625)
Highway Fund	(\$142,968)	(\$190,625)	(\$190,625)	(\$190,625)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation removes, until October 1, 2021, provisions of law allowing driver's license suspensions for failure to pay a fine in offenses not related to driving. Driver's license reinstatement fees for failure to pay fines accrue 50% to the Highway Fund and 50% to the General Fund. Highway Fund and General Fund revenues would be reduced by \$142,968 in fiscal year 2017-18 and by \$190,625 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19. Approximately 7,500 of these reinstatements are processed annually.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1196

LR 1279(03)

An Act To Assist Seniors and Certain Persons with Disabilities in Paying Property Taxes

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-236)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$153,252	\$1,693,905	\$2,796,375	\$3,698,918
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$153,252	\$1,693,905	\$2,796,375	\$3,698,918

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill implements a property tax deferral program. The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services of \$153,252 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$1,693,905 in fiscal year 2018-19 for one Property Appraiser I position and related costs to implement and administer the property tax deferral program, computer programming costs and funding to reimburse municipalities for property taxes deferred under the program.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1204

LR 685(03)

An Act Regarding Absentee Voting by Residents of Nursing Homes and Other Residential Care Facilities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-494)

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires clerks to provide to each licensed facility a notice of the date and time when absentee voting will be conducted.

Unit Affected

Municipality

Local Cost

Insignificant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1212

LR 1237(03)

An Act To Amend the Definition of "Eligible Business Equipment" for the Purposes of the Business Equipment Tax Exemption Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-180)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$245,000	\$245,000	\$245,000
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$245,000)	(\$245,000)	(\$245,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill removes the property tax exemption for personal property leased by certain organizations and adds that property to business equipment eligible under the BETE property tax exemption program. General Fund revenue would be reduced by \$245,000 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 for reimbursement to municipalities for 50% of the BETE exemption.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1248

LR 1541(03)

An Act To Improve Public Transportation in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-144)

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Transportation of \$2,000,000 beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 for public transportation purposes.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1280

LR 1232(09)

An Act To Require Drug Manufacturers To Comply with Federal Law

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-153)

S "B" (S-297) to C "A" (S-153)

S "D" (S-309) to C "A" (S-153)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill may potentially increase costs to the Office of the Attorney General, including the cost of staff time and expert witness fees should the office need to litigate constitutional concerns. If the law is found unconstitutional, the State may be ordered to pay attorneys' fees and costs to the opposing party. These potential costs cannot be estimated at this time.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1286

LR 1065(03)

An Act To Facilitate Compliance by School Employees with Criminal History Record Check and Fingerprinting Requirements

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-221)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Funded

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$13,244	\$13,508	\$13,779	\$14,054
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$13,244	\$13,508	\$13,779	\$14,054

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires local school administrative units to submit the names of all employees subject to certification, approval or authorization and indicate the date on which the person most recently commenced employment with the school administrative unit.

Unit Affected

School

Local Cost

\$13,244

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$13,244 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$13,508 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Learning Systems program within the Department of Education to fund 90% of the cost to local school administrative units to submit the names of all employees subject to certification, approval or authorization along with the date that each employee began working for the SAU. These estimates assume that the central office within each SAU will be responsible for compiling the data and submitting the report and that the data is up-to-date.

Additional costs to the Department of Education to determine if the employees whose names were submitted by the local school administrative unit have complied with all applicable criminal history record check and fingerprinting requirements and to notify the school administrative units if the employee failed to comply can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1287

LR 1640(03)

An Act To Strengthen Efforts To Recruit and Retain Primary Care Professionals and Dentists in Rural and Underserved Areas of the State

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-121)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$47,040	\$129,360	\$270,480	\$447,860
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$47,040)	(\$129,360)	(\$270,480)	(\$447,860)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$960)	(\$2,640)	(\$5,520)	(\$9,140)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill extends to 2026 the income tax credit for dentists who practice in underserved areas and increases the number of primary care professionals who may be certified for the primary care access credit. It would result in a reduction in General Fund revenue of \$47,040 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$129,360 in fiscal year 2018-19 and a reduction in Local Government Fund revenue of \$960 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$2,640 in fiscal year 2018-19.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1301

LR 1690(03)

An Act To Improve Access to Preventive, Cost-saving Dental Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-248)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$2,318,335	\$2,947,778	\$2,659,373	\$3,659,373
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$2,318,335	\$2,947,778	\$2,659,373	\$3,659,373
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$4,184,709	\$5,318,566	\$4,798,208	\$4,798,208
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$4,184,709	\$5,318,566	\$4,798,208	\$4,798,208

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$2,318,335 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$2,947,778 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the costs of providing MaineCare coverage for additional preventative oral health services for MaineCare eligible adults 21 years of age and older. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1308

LR 146(03)

Resolve, To Expedite the Processing of Applications for Certification under the Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-118)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$58,932	\$75,848	\$78,555	\$81,370
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$58,932	\$75,848	\$78,555	\$81,370

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$58,932 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$75,848 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Employment Services Activity program within the Department of Labor for one Eligibility Specialist position and related All Other costs to expedite the processing of employer applications for certification required for the federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit. This fiscal note assumes an October 1, 2017 start date.

Additional costs to the Bureau of Employment Services to prepare and submit the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1314

LR 1173(03)

Resolve, To Improve Access to Neurobehavioral Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-202)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$2,920,777	\$2,694,714
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$2,920,777	\$2,694,714
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$0	\$5,636,184	\$5,636,184
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$525,600	\$525,600
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$0	\$5,636,184	\$5,636,184
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$525,600	\$525,600

Fiscal Detail and Notes

With a start date of July 1, 2019, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will require \$2,694,714 beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 for one Social Services Program Specialist II position to be the Neurobehavioral Treatment Center Manager for this program and for additional claims for the 16 new neurobehavioral beds. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match for the medical claims. Additionally, it is estimated that DHHS will require \$229,200 in fiscal year 2019-20 to add functionality to the Enterprise Information System to track all client facility placements as well as manage facility transitions and wait lists.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1317

LR 1983(03)

An Act To Encourage Family-friendly Businesses through a Tax Credit for Child Care

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-234)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$98,000	\$294,000	\$332,500	\$332,500
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$98,000)	(\$294,000)	(\$332,500)	(\$332,500)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$2,000)	(\$6,000)	(\$17,500)	(\$17,500)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill reinstates the tax credit for employer-assisted day care, which expired at the end of 2015, for tax years beginning in 2017 and changes the amount of the credit. It would result in a reduction in General Fund revenue of \$98,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$294,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 and a reduction in Local Government Fund revenue of \$2,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$6,000 in fiscal year 2018-19.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1321

LR 401(03)

An Act To Promote Social and Emotional Learning and Development in Early Childhood

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-128)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$312,471	\$181,779	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$312,471	\$181,779	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes one-time General Fund appropriations of \$312,471 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$181,779 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Learning Systems program within the Department of Education for one limited-period Education Specialist III position and one part-time limited-period Office Associate II position and related All Other costs including funding for 4 contracted part-time consultants as well as technology, training, travel and meeting costs. This fiscal note assumes that the limited-period positions will begin October 1, 2017 and will end in December of 2018.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1322

LR 2056(04)

An Act Regarding Mental Health First Aid Training for Corrections Personnel

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-499)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$30,265	\$30,265	\$19,012
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$39,504	\$39,504	\$24,816

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$30,265 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Department of Public Safety to provide 8 hours of mental health first aid training as part of basic corrections training. Other Special Revenue Funds revenue to the Department of Public Safety would increase by \$39,504 in fiscal year 2018-19 for training fees charged.

The cost to provide mental health first aid training to state correctional staff is expected to be a significant General Fund cost. The Department of Corrections has estimated overtime costs of \$420,000 and course, travel, meals and lodging costs in excess of \$100,000 to move more than 700 employees through 8 hours of training. Due to uncertainty over the number of staff trained annually and the number of overtime hours required, the cost to the Department of Corrections by fiscal year is not estimated at this time.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1338

LR 2069(03)

An Act To Create and Sustain Jobs through Development of Cooperatives and Employee-owned Businesses

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-767)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$32,340	\$575,432	\$353,832
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$267,157	\$92,107
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$32,340)	(\$308,275)	(\$261,725)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$660)	(\$16,225)	(\$13,775)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill would reduce General Fund revenue by \$32,340 in fiscal year 2018-19 and reduce Local Government Fund revenue by \$660 in fiscal year 2018-19. The Department of Administrative and Financial Services will require a General Fund appropriation of \$267,157 in fiscal year 2019-20 for one Management Analyst II position and programming costs to process, review and analyze individual income tax returns that include a deduction by the business owner for gains recognized in transferring the business to an employee stock ownership plan, eligible worker-owned cooperative, consumer cooperative or affordable housing cooperative.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1343

LR 1838(03)

An Act To Promote Downtown Revitalization by Creating the Locating Businesses Downtown Loan Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-152)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation establishes the Locating Businesses Downtown Loan Program within the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) to provide forgivable loans for businesses to initially locate or to relocate in a downtown area, village area or along a main street in the State and provides that funds in the Communities for Maine's Future Fund are to be utilized to support the program.

The Communities for Maine's Future Fund was established within DECD pursuant to Public Law 2009, c. 414 to provide funding for the rehabilitation, revitalization and enhancement of downtowns and village centers and main streets in the State. The Fund was capitalized with a \$3,500,000 bond issue approved by the voters of the State in June of 2010. By the end of fiscal year 2014-15, all funds had been drawn down and expended and no other funds have been appropriated and/or allocated to the fund since that time.

Since no funding is available to support the Locating Businesses Downtown Loan Program, the department will be unable to implement the requirements of this legislation unless and until another source of funding is provided.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1345

LR 1471(03)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Employer Recovery of Overcompensation Paid to an Employee

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-610)
Committee: State and Local Government**

Fiscal Note

Limit to payroll recovery of overcompensation - All funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Reducing the maximum amount an employer can withhold from an employee's pay in order to recover overcompensation, including overcompensation of paid leave, from 10% to 5% will delay the State's ability to fully recoup payments to an employee made in error. Prohibiting an employer from recovering overcompensation paid to an employee in error to three years preceding the date of discovery of the overcompensation may limit or eliminate the State's ability to recover the amount of the error.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1372

LR 1961(03)

Resolve, To Increase Digital Literacy Education in Rural Communities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-703)

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$114,000	\$114,000	\$114,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$114,000	\$114,000	\$114,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes an ongoing appropriation of \$114,000 starting in fiscal year 2018-19 for the ConnectME Authority to establish pilot programs through partnering with digital literacy organizations to provide digital literacy education to counties in which 70% of the population lives in rural areas as identified in the 2010 United States Census.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1391

LR 1253(03)

An Act To Ensure the Continuation of the Landowner Relations Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-321)

Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes annual General Fund appropriations of \$150,000 to the Landowner Relations Fund within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife starting in fiscal year 2017-18 to improve or maintain good relationships between landowners and outdoor recreationists.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1399

LR 1305(03)

An Act To Encourage Broadband Coverage in Rural Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-223)
Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$66,040	\$6,386,094	\$6,389,632	\$6,393,263
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$66,040	\$136,094	\$139,632	\$143,263
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$6,250,000)	(\$6,250,000)	(\$6,250,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$66,040 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$136,094 in fiscal year 2018-19 to a newly established Office of Broadband Development within the Department of Economic and Community Development for one Public Service Executive II position to serve as President of the Maine Broadband Initiative beginning January 1, 2018.

The bill replaces the ConnectME Authority with the Maine Broadband Initiative. Revenue generated from the telecommunications excise tax will now be credited to the Maine Broadband Initiative Fund instead of the General Fund. This is estimated to reduce General Fund revenue by \$6,250,000 annually beginning in fiscal year 2018-19. The Maine Broadband Initiative is authorized to issue bonds for the purpose of construction of advanced communications technology infrastructure and for the fulfillment of other undertakings it may assume. These bonds do not constitute a debt of the State or of any agency or political subdivision of the State but are payable solely from the revenue of the initiative, and neither the faith nor the credit nor taxing power of the State or any political subdivision of the State is pledged to payment of the bonds.

Additional costs to the University of Maine System and the Department of Economic and Community Development to serve on the Board of Directors of the Maine Broadband Initiative can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1407

LR 1195(03)

An Act Regarding Prescription Drug Step Therapy

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:**C "A" (S-245)****Committee: Insurance and Financial Services**

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium cost - All Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill has an effective date of January 1, 2019, so only contracts executed after January 1, 2019 will be required to meet the coverage in this bill. Thus, the State Employee Health Plan (SEHP) will have no General Fund appropriations or Highway Fund allocations in the current biennium in this bill. Drug step therapy is the practice of beginning drug therapy for a medical condition with the most cost-effective and safest drug and progressing to other more costly or risky therapies only if necessary, with the goal of controlling costs and minimizing risks. The SEHP is transitioning to a new pharmacy benefit manager (PBM), beginning on July 1, 2017. The new PBM does not have a drug step therapy process, however the process by which drugs are selected within the program based on a rebate protocol could be considered drug step therapy under the language in this bill. This bill adds an exception process for drug step therapy that must be clear, readily accessible and convenient to the patient and prescriber. This could lead to additional or longer lasting exceptions from the drug step therapy process, which could potentially increase costs in future bienniums for insurers, including the SEHP. The SEHP provided an estimate for this bill of \$1,000,000 annually to the General Fund and \$30,000 annually to the Highway Fund. That was a worst-case-scenario based on the concept that every patient eligible to seek an exception would do so every time and that every request would be granted and that the exception granted would be for the highest cost alternative possible. Since the SEHP is transitioning to a new PBM there is no history of patient predilection to request exceptions, or of the decisions that will be made, which renders a more accurate fiscal impact difficult.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1429

LR 666(03)

An Act Regarding the Epidemic of Opiate Abuse

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-510)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue decrease - General Fund

Potential current biennium revenue increase - Municipal and County Law Enforcement

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$8,250	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$8,250	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Establishes new Class A and Class B crimes, increases correctional and judicial costs.

The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$8,250 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$11,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services to support the anticipated increase in costs resulting from additional prosecutions involving death or serious bodily injury to a person.

Under current statute, the court determines the disposition of forfeited property and may order it deposited to the General Fund or that it go to a municipality, county, or state agency that has made a substantial contribution to the investigation or prosecution of a related criminal case. This bill keeps that language and adds to the court's options by also allowing disposition of forfeited property to, upon request of the investigating agency or prosecuting agency, a law enforcement agency in this State that provides case management and other social services to persons with substance use disorders. In any future case where the court will opt to use the new provision to redirect forfeited property from the General Fund to a local law enforcement agency, revenue will be increased to the receiving agency and reduced to the General Fund. No estimate of the amounts redirected can be made at this time.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1430

LR 1701(03)

An Act To Develop a Statewide Resource and Referral Center and Develop Hub-and-spoke Models To Improve Access, Treatment and Recovery for Those with Substance Use Disorder

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-715)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$6,663,000	\$6,663,000	\$6,663,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$6,663,000	\$6,663,000	\$6,663,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes an ongoing General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$6,663,000 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to hubs and spokes to cover costs of intensive, intermediate and long-term treatment, including, but not limited to, the cost of medication, screening, behavioral health treatment, urine drug screens, office visits and recovery support services for individuals with opioid use disorder, including those who are uninsured. The department may use a portion of these funds to support training and education of hubs and spokes.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1433

LR 1725(03)

An Act To Protect Maine Children from Lung Cancer by Requiring Radon Testing in Schools

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-516)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$2,187,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$2,187,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes Fund for a Healthy Maine allocations totaling \$2,187,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 to a newly created Radon Testing for Schools Program within the Department of Education for school administrative units to have radon tests performed in all schools every 5 years. Of this amount, \$24,935 is allocated for the costs associated with administering the program and \$2,162,065 is allocated to pay for school administrative units to test for radon in schools.

The cost of requiring school administrative units to use certain radon-resistant new construction techniques when building a new elementary or secondary school is not estimated at this time and is not included in the allocation above.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1466

LR 1387(07)

An Act To Address Severe and Ongoing Shortfalls in the Funding of Direct Care Workers in Long-term Care Settings and To Establish the Commission To Study Long-term Care Workforce Issues

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-186)

H "B" (H-529) to C "A" (S-186)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$12,482,467	\$25,624,598	\$35,614,390	\$43,869,265
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$12,482,467	\$25,624,598	\$35,614,390	\$43,869,265
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$23,082,456	\$47,473,310	\$59,650,943	\$73,489,262
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,826,040	\$3,824,697	\$4,993,336	\$6,161,975
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$23,082,456	\$47,473,310	\$59,650,943	\$73,489,262
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,826,040	\$3,824,697	\$4,993,336	\$6,161,975

Legislative Cost/Study

The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$2,750 in fiscal year 2017-18. The Legislature's proposed budget includes \$10,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 for legislative studies. Whether this amount is sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature. The additional costs of providing staffing assistance to the study during the interim can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted staff resources.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$12,482,467 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$25,624,598 in fiscal year 2018-19 for an increase to rates for certain services. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the healthcare provider tax and the service provider tax.

Additional costs to the Department of Labor related to the Commissioner or the commissioner's designee participating on the commission can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1490

LR 1796(03)

An Act To Stabilize Funding for the County Jails

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-268)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$3,800,000 in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19 to provide additional funding for the County Jail Operations Fund. It also transfers \$5,646,561 annually from the County Jail Operations Fund to the County Jail Community Corrections Fund in order to segregate funding distributed for county jail community corrections.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1492

LR 26(06)

An Act To Attract, Educate and Retain New Mainers To Strengthen the Workforce

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "B" (S-368)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$390,000	\$360,000	\$75,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$390,000	\$360,000	\$75,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations totaling \$390,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Department of Education for programs to attract, educate and retain immigrant populations in the State's workforce. These amounts include:

- 1) Ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$75,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Adult Education program for the expansion of the Welcome Center Initiative within the City of Lewiston's adult education program to attract, educate and retain foreign-trained workers residing in Androscoggin County;
- 2) A General Fund appropriation of \$40,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to a newly created Local Community Planning Support Program to provide funds to counties, municipalities and school administrative units (SAU's) to manage new immigrant populations who have settled within the counties, municipalities and SAU's or to attract immigrant populations to address depopulation or workforce shortages. It is the intent of the Legislature that an additional \$40,000 in General Fund support be provided in fiscal year 2019-20;
- 3) A General Fund appropriation of \$85,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Adult Education program for grants to adult education programs to increase English-language acquisition instruction in communities experiencing an increase in immigrant populations. It is the intent of the Legislature that an additional \$85,000 in General Fund support be provided in fiscal year 2019-20;



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1494

LR 2184(03)

An Act To Increase the Availability of Foster Homes

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-396)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	(\$118,485)	(\$118,485)	(\$118,485)	(\$118,485)
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	(\$118,485)	(\$118,485)	(\$118,485)	(\$118,485)
Federal Expenditures Fund	(\$124,909)	(\$124,909)	(\$124,909)	(\$124,909)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$48,395)	(\$48,395)	(\$48,395)	(\$48,395)
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	(\$124,909)	(\$124,909)	(\$124,909)	(\$124,909)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$89,250)	(\$119,000)	(\$119,000)	(\$119,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund deappropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$118,485 beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 due to the elimination of the costs paid for the fire marshal inspections, which will also reduce Other Special Revenue Funds allocations. The bill also includes a reduction to Federal Expenditures Fund allocations due to a reduction of physical plant updates to meet current compliance.

Other Special Revenue Funds revenue to the Department of Public Safety will be reduced by \$89,250 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$119,000 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 from no longer inspecting family foster homes.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1517

LR 1618(03)

Resolve, To Ensure Access to Behavioral Health Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-491)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$349,890	\$6,053,198	\$6,319,876	\$6,618,870
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$349,890	\$6,053,198	\$6,319,876	\$6,618,870
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$631,294	\$11,974,266	\$12,572,979	\$13,201,628
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$600,591	\$666,603	\$699,933
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$631,294	\$11,974,266	\$12,572,979	\$13,201,628
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$600,591	\$666,603	\$699,933

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$349,890 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$6,053,198 in fiscal year 2018-19 to increase certain reimbursement rates by June 1, 2018 to reflect a 2% increase over rates in fiscal year 2008-09. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the service provier tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1542

LR 568(05)

An Act To Support Lead Abatement in Older Residential Properties

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-628)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time Fund for a Healthy Maine allocation of \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to a newly created Lead Abatement Fund within the Maine State Housing Authority to provide grants for the abatement of lead paint hazards in residential housing and for the cost of establishing and administering the program. Sufficient funds are available within the Fund for a Healthy Maine to cover the one-time allocation.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1554

LR 2298(03)

Resolve, Authorizing Claire Dean Perry and the Estate of William Dean To Bring Suit against the Surety Obtained by the Department of Health and Human Services in Its Capacity as Public Conservator

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-365)

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$300,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 for a potential court settlement.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1566

LR 561(05)

An Act To Enact the Maine Fair Chance Employment Act

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-705)

H "A" (H-750) to C "A" (H-705)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$135,384	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$135,384	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Provides a one-time appropriation of \$135,384 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services for the information technology and related costs of implementing the bill's requirements regarding the criminal history information of job applicants. Additional costs to other state agencies and the Maine Community College System, the Maine Maritime Academy, the University of Maine System, the Finance Authority of Maine, the Maine State Housing Authority and the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to implement the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1584

LR 1678(03)

An Act To Expand the Local Foods Economy by Promoting Local Foods Procurement

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-391)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$163,532	\$132,301	\$136,291
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$163,532	\$132,301	\$136,291

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill directs the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to establish a local foods procurement program to promote and increase the procurement of local foods. The program will establish guidelines to assist state institutions in assessing their ability to procure local foods, provide department education and outreach to farms, farmers markets, community supported agriculture and seafood providers to increase the sale and purchase of local foods by state institutions and food supplement programs administered by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$78,532 starting in fiscal year 2018-19 for one full-time Planning and Research Associate II position. It also includes a General Fund appropriation of \$85,000 in fiscal year 2018-19, and \$50,000 thereafter, for education and outreach, for artwork, printing and distribution of promotional material and for data and research to prepare an annual report.

Any additional costs to DHHS to implement the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1597

LR 2307(03)

An Act To Exempt from Sales Tax the Fee Associated with the Paint Stewardship Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-183)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$34,300	\$71,344	\$71,926	\$74,803
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$34,300)	(\$71,344)	(\$71,926)	(\$74,803)
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$700)	(\$1,456)	(\$3,786)	(\$3,937)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides an exclusion from sales tax of the paint stewardship assessments and would result in a reduction in General Fund revenue of \$34,300 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$71,344 in fiscal year 2018-19 and a reduction in Local Government Fund revenue of \$700 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$1,456 in fiscal year 2018-19.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1653

LR 2636(03)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Retirement Benefits for Capitol Police Officers

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-366)

Committee: Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$40,610	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$40,610	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$40,610 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Retirement System - Retirement Allowance Fund for the cost associated with allowing the service retirement benefits of one Capitol Police officer earned under the regular state employee and teacher plan to be calculated under the 1998 Special Plan. The cost of this provision is estimated based on the payment being made to the MainePERS by September 30, 2018.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1680

LR 2691(03)

An Act To Create an Access to Justice Income Tax Credit

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-601)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$23,750	\$52,250
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$23,750)	(\$52,250)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	(\$1,250)	(\$2,750)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides an income tax credit for 5 years for attorneys who practice in underserved areas. It would reduce General Fund and Local Government Fund revenue beginning in fiscal year 2019-20.

Additional costs to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services associated with submitting the report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1682

LR 2521(03)

An Act To Ensure the Quality of and Increase Access to Recovery Residences

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-411)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$100,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Maine State Housing Authority to develop a pilot project to provide short-term rental subsidies for persons recovering from a substance use disorder to reside in a certified recovery residence.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services to implement the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1683

LR 2646(03)

An Act To Extend the Term of Guide Licenses and Amend the License Revocation Laws

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-396)
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Fiscal Note

Current biennium revenue increase - General Fund
Future biennium revenue decrease - General Fund
Minor cost increase - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Establishes new Class E crimes; the collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill extends the term of a guide license from 3 years to 5 years and increases the license fee to compensate for lost revenue from less frequent renewal. In the first 3 years after implementation, all existing licenses will expire and be renewed at the higher fee and General Fund revenue will be increased. In the fourth and fifth years (future biennium) after implementation there will be no licenses renewed at all, eliminating all renewal revenue credited to the General Fund in those two years. Over the entire 5 year period, there will be no net impact to revenue. This phase-in effect will occur in subsequent 5-year periods but will be diminished over time as new guides are added and old ones are removed and renewals randomly become more evenly distributed.

Any additional costs to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife as a result of changes to its authority to revoke a guide license under certain circumstances will be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1684

LR 2542(03)

An Act Regarding Meals in Public Schools

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-413)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires public schools that provide meals to students under the National School Lunch Program or under a program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture to provide such a meal to students that request the meal regardless of the student's ability to pay or failure to pay for school meals in the past.	School	Significant statewide
Requires a school board of a public school that provides meals under the National School Lunch Program to establish a collection policy for debts owed to the school lunch program.	School	Moderate statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

While the cost to local school administrative units to provide meals to certain students may be significant, the required collection policy for debts owed to the school lunch program may help mitigate some of the costs over the long-term, depending on what policies are put in place.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1689

LR 2558(05)

An Act To Repeal Certain Provisions Regarding the System Administration Allocation Affecting Maine School Districts in the 2018-2019 Biennial Budget

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "B" (S-415)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs**

Fiscal Note

Redistribution of state subsidy - Local school administrative units

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation repeals the sections of current law that set the per-pupil amounts for system administration to be allocated to school administrative units (SAU's) in fiscal year 2019-20 and instead requires that, beginning in fiscal year 2019-20, the per-pupil allocation be provided only to those SAU's that have established regionalized administrative services pursuant to Title 20-A, chapter 123 or are identified as high-performing, efficient schools based on a review of system administration costs for high-performing, efficient SAU's.

This change will result in a redistribution of state subsidy in fiscal year 2019-20, with some SAU's receiving more subsidy than would have been received absent this legislation and some SAU's receiving less. The impact to individual SAU's can not be determined.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1696

LR 2609(03)

An Act To Provide Funding for the Maine Bicentennial Commission

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-586)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$75,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$75,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time non-lapsing General Fund appropriation of \$75,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Maine State Cultural Affairs Council for staff support and other expenses associated with the planning of the State of Maine bicentennial celebration.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1704

LR 2502(08)

An Act To Fund the Downeast Correctional Facility

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-593)

S "A" (S-393)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$5,291,463	\$5,417,554	\$5,546,924
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$5,446,642	\$5,572,733	\$5,702,103
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$500
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$32,526	\$32,526	\$32,526
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	\$155,179	\$155,179	\$155,179

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides a General Fund appropriation of \$5,446,642 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Department of Corrections to continue to operate the Downeast Correctional Facility. Fiscal year 2018-19 funding for the facility was eliminated in PL 2017, c. 284, the 2018-2019 biennial budget. This estimate of fiscal impact also includes the related increase in General Fund revenue of \$155,179 from boarding revenue.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1707

LR 2750(03)

An Act To Reduce the Cost of Care Resulting from Blood-borne Infectious Diseases

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-604)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$75,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$75,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to support hypodermic apparatus exchange programs pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1341, subsection 4.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1708

LR 2622(03)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Allow Relatives and Legal Guardians To Provide Home and Community-based Services to Eligible Members

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-664)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$592,968	\$789,831	\$789,831
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$592,968	\$789,831	\$789,831
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$974,985	\$1,300,771	\$1,300,771
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$974,985	\$1,300,771	\$1,300,771

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$592,968 in fiscal year 2018-19 to amend the existing 1915 (c) waiver that provides home and community based services under the Department of Health and Human Services rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 19, to allow eligible members to receive services provided by relatives, including spouses, or legal guardians and for the fiscal intermediary service required to provide payments for eligible members receiving services to relatives, including spouses or legal guardians. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1709

LR 2704(03)

An Act To Allow the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board Access to Investigations of Suspicious Deaths and Mortality Reviews Performed by the Department of Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-702)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill grants the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board direct access to the personal planning and other records of a person receiving adult developmental services and grants the board direct access to the records of an investigation into the suspicious death of or the records of a mortality review pertaining to a person with intellectual disabilities or autism. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to notify the board of any report made to a medical examiner regarding a mandated reporter's knowledge or reasonable suspicion that an adult receiving adult developmental services has died as a result of abuse or neglect. It is expected that two DHHS systems, the Enterprise Information System (EIS) and the Maine Adult Protective Services Information System (MAPSIS), will require functionality updates to allow direct access for board members. The cost for these updates is estimated to be \$39,978. The bill requires that its provisions be carried out within existing budgeted resources. Because no funding was provided in the bill, the impact on other programs and services cannot be determined.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1710

LR 2456(05)

An Act To Restore Maine's School-based Health Centers

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-635)

H "A" (H-667) to C "A" (H-635)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$600,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$600,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides a Fund for a Healthy Maine allocation of \$600,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to restore funding on a one-time basis to the State's school-based health centers to the level of funding provided in fiscal year 2016-17.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1711

LR 2744(03)

Resolve, To Save Lives by Establishing a Homeless Opioid Users Service Engagement Pilot Project within the Department of Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-737)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$2,084,096	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$2,084,096	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$2,084,096 in fiscal year 2018-19 for a pilot project to provide rapid access to low-barrier treatment for substance use disorders and stable housing to support recovery and create stability for 50 opioid users who are among the most vulnerable and unstable in the State.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1713

LR 2748(03)

An Act To Improve Housing Support in the Bridging Rental Assistance Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-663)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,542,416	\$1,542,416	\$1,542,416
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,542,416	\$1,542,416	\$1,542,416

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$1,542,416 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to allow a participant in the Bridging Rental Assistance Program to contribute the same amount toward rent that is required of a participant in the housing voucher program administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under the United States Housing Act of 1937, Public Law 75-412, 50 Stat. 888, Section 8. Currently, participants contribute more than what is required in the federal program and reducing the participant share will require the State to make up the difference.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1714

LR 2762(03)

An Act To Clarify Liability Pertaining to the Collection of Debts of MaineCare Providers by the Department of Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-674)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill clarifies requirements for the definition of an ownership or control relationship for purposes of determining when the Department of Health and Human Services may offset debts owed to the department by a provider against current MaineCare reimbursement due to that provider or an entity related to that provider. It clarifies that the department may not offset current reimbursement owed to an entity related by ownership or control to the provider unless the person whose relationship is the subject of the offset has the voting power to govern the operation of the provider owing the debt. This could potentially lead to debts not being offset, which could increase losses to the Department of Health and Human Services. It is not known who these potential providers are and what debts they may have incurred, so no estimate of the potential loss is made at this time.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1736

LR 2746(06)

An Act To Broaden Educational Opportunities to Members of the Maine National Guard and Provide Financial Assistance to Veterans

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-445)

H "B" (H-748) to C "A" (S-445)

H "A" (H-743) to C "A" (S-445)

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill expands the Maine National Guard Tuition Assistance Program to add private nonprofit postsecondary education institutions and the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to the list of state postsecondary education institutions where Maine National Guard members may receive a tuition benefit under the program. To the extent that there are sufficient funds available in the Maine National Guard Postsecondary Fund to pay the tuition costs for all Maine National Guard members who want to participate in the program, there is no fiscal impact to the Maine Criminal Justice Academy or the public and private postsecondary institutions. However, if expanding the program results in tuition costs exceeding available funding, there would be an impact to the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and the public and private postsecondary institutions in the form of lost tuition revenue.

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$250,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to the newly established Veterans Temporary Assistance Fund within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management to provide financial assistance to veterans.

The bill also includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$150,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Maine National Guard Postsecondary Fund within the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management which will be used for tuition assistance to veterans attending the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and public and private postsecondary education institutions.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1737

LR 2648(03)

An Act To Preserve Medication Management for Persons with Mental Health Needs

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-379)
Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$568,004	\$567,382	\$567,382
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$568,004	\$567,382	\$567,382
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$1,003,012	\$1,003,634	\$1,003,634
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$1,003,012	\$1,003,634	\$1,003,634

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$568,004 in fiscal year 2018-19 for a 15% rate increase for the medication management services provided under rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 65: Behavioral Health Services. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1742

LR 2743(03)

Resolve, To Support Vulnerable Seniors by Funding Assisted Living Programs

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$500,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for increased funding over current levels for the provision of assisted living services.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services to conduct a review of possible ways to stabilize funding for affordable assisted living facilities that contract with the office of aging and disability services within the Department of Health and Human Services are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1744

LR 2658(05)

**An Act To Create a Credit under the Commercial Forestry Excise Tax for Landowners Using
Businesses Based in the United States**

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-395)

S "A" (S-412) to C "A" (S-395)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue decrease - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation provides a credit against the commercial forestry tax for eligible landowners. The credit could result in a loss of General Fund revenue if any landowners are shown to be eligible. It cannot be determined at this time how many landowners would be eligible for this credit.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1746

LR 2616(03)

An Act To Ensure That Low-income Residents of the State Have Access to Telephone Services

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-390)
Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$299,880	\$290,700	\$290,700
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$299,880)	(\$290,700)	(\$290,700)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$6,120)	(\$15,300)	(\$15,300)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill would reduce General Fund revenue by an estimated \$299,880 and reduce Local Government Fund revenue by \$6,120 in fiscal year 2018-19.

Any additional costs to the Public Utilities Commission as a result of clarifications to the rules regarding their adjustment of the prepaid wireless telecommunications service fee and specifications that federal universal support funds paid directly to sellers are not subject to sales taxes are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1762

LR 2692(03)

An Act To Ensure Sustainable Health Care Access in the Jackman Region

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-676)
Committee: Health and Human Services**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$150,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 for health care access at the Jackman Community Health Center.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1780

LR 2834(03)

An Act To Transfer Funds to the Maine Clean Election Fund To Provide Adequate Funding for Maine Clean Election Fund Candidates

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-665)

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$700,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$700,000	\$0	\$0
Transfers				
General Fund	\$0	(\$700,000)	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$700,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill transfers \$700,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Maine Clean Election Fund within the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices no later than September 1, 2018 to cover an anticipated increase in disbursements to gubernatorial candidates for the November 2018 election.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1783

LR 2801(04)

An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Aggravated Trafficking of Scheduled Drugs

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-736)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium cost increase - General Fund

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increases the class of a crime from Class B to Class A; increases correctional costs.

The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1809

LR 2840(03)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Issuance of Burn Permits

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-417)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$52,739	\$52,739	\$52,739
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$9,600	\$9,600	\$9,600
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$43,139)	(\$43,139)	(\$43,139)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill directs the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to allow municipalities to use third-party internet based software to issue burn permits so long as the software meets statutory requirements and is approved by ACF. The bill eliminates the \$7 fee ACF charged for electronically issued burn permits via their online permit system. Currently, \$4 is deposited into the General Fund, \$2 is transferred to the municipality where the permit was issued and \$1 goes to InforME for the administrative cost of the online permit system. In unorganized areas, \$6 of the fee is deposited into the General Fund and \$1 is for the administrative costs of InforME. Beginning in fiscal year 2018-19, elimination of the fee will reduce annual General Fund revenue by \$43,139, reduce revenue to municipalities by approximately \$20,000 a year and reduce revenue available to pay InforME by \$9,600. The bill includes an ongoing General Fund appropriation to ACF of \$9,600 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to continue to pay InforME for burn permits issued through the state online system.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1820

LR 2811(03)

Resolve, Regarding Increases in Reimbursement Rates for Certain Children's Habilitative Services under MaineCare

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-642)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$713,776	\$2,842,107	\$2,837,775	\$2,837,775
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$713,776	\$2,842,107	\$2,837,775	\$2,837,775
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$1,548,359	\$6,206,430	\$6,210,762	\$6,210,762
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$144,392	\$577,566	\$577,566	\$577,566
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$1,548,359	\$6,206,430	\$6,210,762	\$6,210,762
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$144,392	\$577,566	\$577,566	\$577,566

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) of \$713,776 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$2,842,107 in fiscal year 2018-19 to establish reimbursement rates and increase existing reimbursement rates in the Department of Health and Human Services rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 28 for children's habilitative services and specialized children's habilitative services in accordance with the April 24, 2017 report "Rate Study for Behavioral Health and Targeted Case Management Services: Final Proposed Rates for Formal Rulemaking" prepared for the department by Burns & Associates, Inc. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the service provider tax.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1835

LR 2912(03)

An Act To Transfer Funds within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-647)
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfers				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires the one-time transfer by June 30, 2018 of \$600,000 from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IFW) General Fund carrying account to the IFW License and Registration General Fund account to fund a personal services shortfall that occurred because the savings anticipated through attrition did not materialize in fiscal year 2017-18 and additional financial obligations as a result of collective bargaining agreements.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1843

LR 2731(03)

An Act To Amend Career and Technical Education Statutes

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (S-466)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs**

Fiscal Note

Establishes pilot projects for CTE middle school programs
Change in CTE funding model

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill establishes pilot projects for middle school career and technical education exploration (CTE) beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 and extending through fiscal year 2020-21. The amount of funding that will be available to be distributed to CTE centers and CTE regions with approved plans will depend on the amount allocated for this purpose in LD 1869, *An Act To Establish the Total Cost of Education and the State and Local Contributions to Education for Fiscal Year 2018-19 and To Provide That Employees of School Management and Leadership Centers Are Eligible To Participate in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System*.

This bill also changes the calculation of state subsidy for career and technical education from an expenditure driven model to a model that recognizes current costs for certain areas such as direct instruction, operation of facilities and administrative support beginning in fiscal year 2018-19. Although the initial requirement to change the funding model for career and technical education was enacted in Public Law 2013, chapter 368, Part C-12 and was to begin in fiscal year 2014-15, legislation approved in subsequent legislative sessions delayed the implementation of this requirement until fiscal year 2018-19. This change in the calculation of state subsidy for CTE will increase the total cost of CTE education by approximately \$1.2 million in fiscal year 2018-19. The cost of funding CTE education based on this new model is also included in LD 1869.

Additional costs to the Department of Education to prepare the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1845

LR 2716(03)

An Act To Provide Incentives To Attract Trained Firefighters to Maine and To Retain Trained Firefighters by Expanding the Provision of Live Fire Service Training

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-695)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$1,000,000 annually beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 to a newly established Live Fire Service Training Facilities Fund program within the Maine Community College System to provide grants for the construction and repair or replacement of regional live fire service training facilities in the State. The funds appropriated do not lapse back to the General Fund at the end of each fiscal year but must be carried forward to be used for the purposes established.

Additional costs to the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission associated with establishing grant award criteria, evaluating grant applications and awarding grants to municipalities can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1850

LR 2768(03)

An Act To Reorganize the Bureau of General Services in the Department of Administrative and Financial Services

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:
C "A" (H-672)
Committee: State and Local Government**

Fiscal Note

Adjustments to appropriations and allocations in subsequent legislation

Fiscal Detail and Notes

It is assumed that the budgetary changes required to reorganize the general services functions and activities will require appropriations and allocations that net to zero. Any such changes that become necessary would need to be made in subsequent legislation including but not limited to a fiscal year 2018-19 supplemental budget and the 2020-2021 biennial budget.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1857

LR 2960(03)

An Act To Address Maine's Nursing Shortage by Creating an Apprenticeship Pathway for Licensure of Health Care-trained Veterans and Expanding Access to Nursing Education

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-718)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$850,000	\$650,000	\$650,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$850,000	\$650,000	\$650,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Funds appropriations totaling \$850,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Maine Community College System to support the hiring of additional nursing faculty and the acquisition of equipment and instruction space to expand nursing classes. Of this amount, \$650,000 per year is provided on an ongoing basis to the following: Southern Maine Community College (\$200,000), Central Maine Community College (\$200,000) and Eastern Maine Community College (\$250,000). One-time funding of \$200,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 is provided to Northern Maine Community College to support the acquisition of a nursing simulator.

Additional costs to the State Board of Nursing, affiliated with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, to implement the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. Additional dedicated revenue received from licensing fees is expected to be minimal.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1861

LR 2941(05)

Resolve, To Implement Certain Recommendations of the Computer Science Education Task Force and To Update and Implement the Department of Education's Statewide Strategic Plan for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-757)

S "A" (S-475) to C "A" (H-757)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$64,043	\$65,813	\$67,637
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$64,043	\$65,813	\$67,637

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$64,043 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Learning Systems Team within the Department of Education for one half-time Regional Education Representative position and associated All Other costs to serve as the computer science liaison to support the implementation of computer science education across the State and the statewide strategic plan for the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Council.

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Council, in consultation with other supportive partners, will host meetings and provide expert consultation and other necessary support services to the Department of Education during the development of a statewide plan for computer science education.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1868

LR 2909(04)

Resolve, To Increase Funding for Evidence-based Therapies for Treating Emotional and Behavioral Problems in Children

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-729)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$262,306	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$262,306	\$0	\$0
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$435,318	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$435,318	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes one-time General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$262,306 in fiscal year 2018-19 for a one-time increase to certain rates under rule Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 65 by 20% until June 30th, 2019 and to contract with a third party to conduct a rate study of those rates to be completed no later than December 1st, 2018. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1870

LR 2729(06)

Resolve, To Create the Task Force To Study and Plan for the Implementation of Maine's Early Childhood Special Education Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-457)

S "A" (S-479) to C "A" (S-457)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$3,700,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$3,700,000	\$0	\$0

Legislative Cost/Study

The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$3,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$3,250 in fiscal year 2018-19. The Legislature's budget includes approximately \$7,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$10,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for legislative studies. Whether these amounts are sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature. The additional costs of providing drafting assistance to the study during the interim can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted staff resources.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$3,700,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Child Development Services Program within the Department of Education to address a budgetary shortfall.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Education to take part in the Task Force are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1879

LR 2946(03)

An Act To Enhance and Increase the Availability of Mental Health Providers in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-759)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 to a newly created Maine Mental Health Providers Loan Repayment Fund within the Finance Authority of Maine as part of a new Maine Mental Health Providers Loan Repayment Program established to provide up to 3 qualified applicants with \$5,000 per year for a period of 5 years to assist the applicant in the repayment of student loans.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1882

LR 2987(03)

An Act To Exempt from Taxation Sales to Certain Nonprofit Organizations Supporting Veterans

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-741)

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$22,786	\$21,660	\$23,845
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$2,500	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$20,286)	(\$21,660)	(\$23,845)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$414)	(\$1,140)	(\$1,255)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill creates an exemption from the sales and use tax and the service provider tax for organizations operating a retreat for combat-injured veterans and their families. It would result in a reduction in General Fund revenue of \$20,286 and a reduction in Local Government Fund revenue of \$414 in fiscal year 2018-19. The bill includes a one time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services of \$2,500 in fiscal year 2018-19 for computer programming costs for the exemption.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1885

LR 2915(02)

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force To Address the Opioid Crisis in the State Regarding Increased Access to Drug Courts

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

No Amendments

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$160,800	\$164,400	\$164,400
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$160,800	\$164,400	\$164,400

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$150,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for case management and other ancillary services provided by the Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, for a maximum of 30 participants, for drug courts established by the Judicial Department. These funds can be used either to provide services at a new drug court in the state or to provide services for an increased number of participants in existing drug courts in the State.

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Judicial Branch of \$10,800 in fiscal year 2018-19 for active retired judges to cover other court time of full-time sitting judges assigned either to a new drug court in the State or to existing drug courts in the State that are expanded to allow for an increased number of participants up to a maximum of 30.



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1886

LR 2992(03)

**Resolve, To Provide Funding for a Pilot Project To Evaluate and Address the Transportation Needs of
Maine's Veterans**

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-725)

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Transportation for the implementation of a 30-month pilot project in Oxford, Franklin and Androscoggin counties to provide transportation for veterans. This funding does not lapse but must be carried over to future fiscal years for its intended purpose. The project will run from July 1, 2018 until December 31, 2020.

**128th MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1899****LR 3001(03)****Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Submit a State Plan Amendment Regarding Assets in Retirement and Education Accounts****Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:****C "A" (H-761)****Committee: Health and Human Services****Fiscal Note**

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$187,649	\$174,987	\$174,987
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$187,649	\$174,987	\$174,987
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$317,991	\$318,213	\$318,213
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$12,440	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$317,991	\$318,213	\$318,213
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$12,440	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$187,649 in fiscal year 2018-19 for technology updates required for eligibility changes and for increased claims due to an estimated additional 25 members being deemed eligible for MaineCare. Federal Expenditures Fund and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations are also included for the Federal match.