

**127th MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1350****LR 156(01)****Resolve, To Increase the Reimbursement Rate for Direct-care Workers Serving Adults with Long-term Care Needs****Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill****Sponsor: Spkr. Eves of North Berwick****Committee: Health and Human Services****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$14,672,632	\$19,563,508	\$19,563,508	\$19,563,508
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$14,672,632	\$19,563,508	\$19,563,508	\$19,563,508
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$24,632,570	\$32,843,426	\$32,843,426	\$32,843,426
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$24,632,570	\$32,843,426	\$32,843,426	\$32,843,426

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$14,672,632 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$19,563,508 in fiscal year 2016-17 to increase reimbursement to providers of in-home and community support direct-care services to \$25 per hour of service. Of the increase in the rate to providers, at least 85% must be used for wages and employee benefits including health care, mileage reimbursement, training costs and other benefits. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.