



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 681(01)

An Act to Require the State to Pay 90 Percent of All General Assistance Expenses of Municipalities and Indian Tribes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Baldacci of Penobscot

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

| | FY 2025-26 | FY 2026-27 | Projections FY 2027-28 | Projections FY 2028-29 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Net Cost (Savings) | | | | |
| General Fund | \$2,982,974 | \$5,965,948 | \$5,965,948 | \$5,965,948 |
| Appropriations/Allocations | | | | |
| General Fund | \$2,982,974 | \$5,965,948 | \$5,965,948 | \$5,965,948 |

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$2,982,974 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$5,965,948 in fiscal year 2026-27 to increase the state reimbursement rate for the costs of the general assistance program to each municipality and each Indian tribe from 70% to 90% effective January 1, 2026.