



# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 720

In Senate, March 27, 2018

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

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Reported by Senator KEIM of Oxford for the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 353.

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Secretary of the Senate

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and  
3 allocations are made.

4 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

5 **Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Z199**

6 Initiative: Provides funds for case management and other ancillary services provided by  
7 the office for drug courts established by the Judicial Department. These funds must be  
8 used to provide services for up to 30 new participants either at a new drug court in the  
9 State or in existing drug courts in the State.

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11	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
12	All Other	\$0	\$150,000
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14	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

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16 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,**  
17 **DEPARTMENT OF**  
18 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

19		<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
20	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
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22	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$150,000</b></u>

23 **JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**

24 **Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063**

25 Initiative: Provides funds for active retired judges to cover other court time of full-time  
26 sitting judges assigned either to a new drug court in the State or to existing drug courts in  
27 the State to allow for up to 30 new participants.

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29	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
30	All Other	\$0	\$10,800
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32	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,800</u>

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34 **JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**  
35 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

36		<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
37	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,800</b>

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2	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,800</u>
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4	<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
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6	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$160,800</b>
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8	<b>SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$160,800</b></u>

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary to implement a  
 11 recommendation in the report of the Task Force To Address the Opioid Crisis in the  
 12 State. It provides additional funding for the Judicial Department to establish a new drug  
 13 court in the State for up to 30 participants or to expand by up to 30 the number of  
 14 participants served by existing drug courts in the State pursuant to the Maine Revised  
 15 Statutes, Title 4, section 421. The bill also provides funding for the case management  
 16 and ancillary services provided to drug court participants by the office of substance abuse  
 17 and mental health services within the Department of Health and Human Services.

18 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

19 **(See attached)**