

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1064

LR 1990(02)

An Act To Require That Health Insurance Policies Cover Medical Marijuana

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Insurance and Financial Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium cost increase - All Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill requires health insurance contracts executed after January 1, 2019 to provide coverage for marijuana for medical use. The State Employee Health Plan (SEHP) will require no additional appropriations or allocations in the current biennium. Any costs to the SEHP will begin in fiscal year 2019-20. Currently, marijuana is illegal nationwide and is not approved for medical use by the Federal Drug Administration. Thus, there is not ample research or data available to estimate the impact to the state plan in future biennia.