

## 129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Strengthen Brain Injury Resources for Underserved Populations, Including Opioid Overdose Brain Injury Survivors

> Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Hepler of Woolwich Committee: Health and Human Services Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement**

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

## **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This bill states the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) may enter into contracts with organizations representing individuals with a brain injury and their families, bringing together state and national expertise to provide core brain injury support for underserved populations of individuals with an acquired brain injury. These new contracts, if entered into by the DHHS, must be provided within the limits of available DHHS resources, so no new appropriations will be made to the DHHS. However, any new contracts will reduce the resources of the DHHS which could lead to other current services receiving less funding.