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7	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
8 9 10	SENATE AMENDMENT " " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 220, L.D. 533, "An Act To Expand the Statewide Voluntary Early Childhood Consultation Program"
11	Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:
12	'Sec. 1. 34-B MRSA §15011, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 481, §1, is amended to read:
13	§15011. Statewide voluntary early childhood consultation program
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	Beginning September 1, 2020 January 1, 2023, the commissioner shall implement a statewide voluntary early childhood consultation program to provide support, guidance and training to improve the abilities and skills of early care and education teachers and providers working in public elementary schools, child care facilities as defined in Title 22, section 8301-A, subsection 1-A, paragraph B, family child care settings and Head Start programs serving infants and children who are 8 years of age or younger who are experiencing challenging behaviors that put the infants or children at risk of learning difficulties and removal from early learning and education settings, and to improve the abilities and skills of families and foster parents with infants or children who are 8 years of age or younger in the home who are experiencing challenging behaviors that put the infants or children at risk of learning difficulties and removal from early learning and education settings. Any record about a child created as a result of a consultation under this section must be made available to the parents or guardians of that child and may not become part of that child's education record. Fifty percent of the costs related to the program implemented under this section must be paid from funds provided to the department under the federal child and development block grant authorized under the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990. The department shall seek and apply for available federal funds or funds from any other source to fund the program implemented under this section.
33 34 35 36 37 38 39	No later than January 1, 2023 and annually thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters relating to the status of implementing the program under this section, the ability of the program to provide support and guidance to families, educators and providers working with children and the department's progress in seeking and applying for additional funding to support the program.

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1 2	Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The allocations are made.	following appro	opriations and
3	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT	OF	
4	Early Childhood Consultation Program Z280		
5 6 7 8	Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for one Social Services Social Services Program Specialist II position and related A the statewide voluntary early childhood consultation program 2023.	ll Other funding	necessary for
9 10 11 12 13	GENERAL FUND POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT Personal Services All Other	2021-22 0.000 \$0 \$0	2022-23 2.000 \$102,643 \$9,537
14	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$112,180
15	Early Childhood Consultation Program Z280		
16 17	Initiative: Provides ongoing funding to continue the statew consultation program, beginning on January 1, 2023.	ide voluntary ea	arly childhood
18 19 20	GENERAL FUND All Other	2021-22 \$0	2022-23 \$1,345,560
21 22	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$1,345,560
23 24	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
25 26	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
27 28	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$1,457,740
29	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	\$1,457,740
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31 32	Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any section number to read consecutively.	y nonconsecutiv	e Part letter or
33	SUMMARY		
34 35	This amendment replaces Committee Amendment "A" and amends current law regarding the statewide voluntary early childhood consultation program by:		
36 37	1. Delaying from September 1, 2020 to January 1, 2023 the date by which the Commissioner of Health and Human Services is required to implement the program;		
38 39	2. Requiring the Department of Health and Human So available federal funds or funds from any other source to fur		11.

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1	3. Requiring the department to submit a report to the joint standing committee of the
2	Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters and the joint
3	standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters relating
4	to the status of implementing the program, the ability of the program to provide support
5	and guidance to families, educators and providers working with children and the
6	department's progress in seeking and applying for additional funding to support the
7	program.
8	SPONSORED BY:
9	(Senator BREEN, C.)

COUNTY: Cumberland

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