

LD 1142

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Committee Amendment " " to LD 1142, Resolve, To Expand Transportation Services for Seniors Who are MaineCare Members

Amend the resolve by striking out the emergency preamble and emergency clause.

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and replacing it with the following:

Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to review nonmedical transportation programs; pilot program. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall review nonmedical transportation programs in other states that provide transportation services under Medicaid to older adults with disabilities and other adults with disabilities, brain injury or other related conditions and determine options for providing these services in this State. The department shall review the New York Medicaid program that provides up to \$2,000 annual per individual for nonmedical transportation costs for services in an individual's plan of care as well as any other similar or relevant methods of financing such services. The department shall assess options for modifying or amending home and community-based waiver programs, in particular the waiver programs provided under Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19, to provide nonmedical transportation services to recipients of current services. The department shall meet with relevant stakeholders as necessary to assess programs in other states and develop programs for use in this State, including pilot projects. The department shall submit a report with its findings, including at least one potential pilot project, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters no later than January 30, 2021. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters may report out legislation based on the report to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the resolve and removes the emergency preamble and clause. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to review nonmedical transportation programs in other states that provide services under Medicaid to older adults with disabilities and other adults with disabilities, brain injury or other related conditions to determine options for providing nonmedical transportation services in this State. The department shall review the New York Medicaid program and any other relevant programs, determine options for modifying or amending home and community based waiver programs, and develop possible programs, including pilot projects, for use in this State. The department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having

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jurisdiction over health and human services matters no later than January 30, 2021 and the Committee may report out legislation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1142

LR 748(02)

Resolve, To Expand Transportation Services for Seniors Who Are MaineCare Members

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.

No appropriations/allocations section required.

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Sec. 2. Pilot project. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall establish a pilot project lasting 18 months that allows individuals currently receiving services under Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19 to receive up to \$1,000 each in nonmedical transportation services that are specified in the individual's service plan when the individual has no other means of transportation, in addition to currently permissible medical transportation. The department shall provide written notice to Section 19 recipients regarding the availability of the pilot program. The department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters with an evaluation of the costs and effectiveness of the pilot project and an assessment regarding its long-term viability, no later than January 30, 2023. The committee may report out legislation based on the report to the First Regular Session of 131st Legislature.

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the resolve and removes the emergency preamble and clause. As in the majority report, the amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to review nonmedical transportation programs in other states that provide services under Medicaid to older adults with disabilities and other adults with disabilities, brain injury or other related conditions to determine options for providing nonmedical transportation services in this State. The department shall review the New York Medicaid program and any other relevant programs, determine options for modifying or amending home and community-based waiver programs, and develop possible programs, including pilot projects, for use in this State. The department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters no later than January 30, 2021 and the Committee may report out legislation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

The minority report amendment also requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a pilot project lasting 18 months that provides nonmedical transportation services to individuals receiving services pursuant to Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19 up to \$1,000 in addition to currently permissible medical transportation services. The department shall submit a report with the costs and effectiveness of the program and the future viability of the program no later than January 30, 2023.



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1142

LR 748(03)

Resolve, To Expand Transportation Services for Seniors Who Are MaineCare Members

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$458,311	\$572,889	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$458,311	\$572,889	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$458,311 in fiscal year 2020-21 for the first 8 months of an 18-month pilot project that provides nonmedical transportation services to individuals receiving services pursuant to Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19 up to \$1,000 in addition to currently permissible medical transportation services.

- 2148 members in Sec 19 waiver. 60% of them have no transportation. Assume 80% utilization rated -> so based on 1289 members using \$1000 over 18 month period.

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Sec. Appropriations and allocations.

The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a pilot project lasting 18 months that provides nonmedical transportation services to individuals receiving services pursuant to Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19 up to \$1,000 in addition to currently permissible medical transportation services.

GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$0	\$458,311
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$458,311</u>

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

	2019-20	2020-21
GENERAL FUND	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$458,311</u>
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$458,311</u>

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