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An Act To Increase the Rate of Reimbursement for Providing Career and Academic Advising and Counseling Services to Adult Education Students

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §8607-A, sub-§10 is enacted to read:

10. Career and academic advising and counseling. Career and academic advising and counseling services costs are reimbursed at the rate of 75% of the costs of required salaries and fringe benefits for those services.

SUMMARY

Currently, career and academic advising and counseling costs incurred by local adult education programs are considered administrative costs under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 8607-A, subsection 1 and reimbursed at a rate of 70% of those costs. This bill requires that career and academic advising and counseling costs incurred by local adult education programs, because those services are provided directly to students, be reimbursed at the rate of 75% of those costs, which is the same as the reimbursement rate for courses for students.