



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1137

LR 1374(03)

An Act To Promote Workforce Development

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (S-360)

Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Appropriations/Allocations				
Competitive Skills Scholarship Fund	\$74,328	\$149,062	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation removes the cap on the amount of funds in the Competitive Skills Scholarship Fund within the Department of Labor that can be spent for administrative and career counseling services annually. According to the Department of Labor, eliminating the cap will allow for an increase in career counseling and job training services that the Department can provide to individuals qualified under the Competitive Skills Scholarship Program. The Department has requested, and this bill includes, Competitive Skills Scholarship Fund allocations of \$74,328 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$149,062 in fiscal year 2016-17 for 2 limited-period CareerCenter Consultant positions and related All Other costs to support the additional career counseling and job training efforts. Sufficient funds exist within the Competitive Skills Scholarship Fund to support the costs of the 2 positions over the current biennium without requiring an increase in the contribution rate applied to employers' taxable payroll.