



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Reward Work Performed by Welfare Recipients

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Appropriations/Allocations				
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$2,064,877	\$2,586,503	\$2,586,503	\$2,586,503
Revenue				
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$2,064,877	\$2,586,503	\$2,586,503	\$2,586,503

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a Federal Block Grant Fund allocation to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) of \$2,064,877 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$2,586,503 in fiscal year 2016-17 to increase payments to recipients from revising the earnings from employment the DHHS disregards when determining benefit levels for recipients under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, to increase the number of months eligible individuals may receive transitional transportation benefits from 12 months to 18 months and to promote financial literacy and healthy saving habits of families with income less than 200% of the federal poverty guidelines by placing funds in family development accounts. Any additional cost from making child care assistance retroactive to the application date is expected to be minor and absorbed within existing budgeted resources.