

127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1514

LR 2414(08)

An Act To Conform Maine Law to the Requirements of the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "" to Committee Amendment "B"
Sponsor: Sen. Volk of Cumberland
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium cost increase - General Fund Potential future biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

While the bill requires MaineCare reimburse for advancded dental therapist services, any increase in MaineCare costs would not likely occur until the following biennium. The fiscal impact on MaineCare will ultimately depend on the timing and number of advanced dental therapists licensed in Maine, the type and volume of services provided and the extent to which these services replace existing dental services provided.

The Board of Dental Examiners, affiliated with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, may incur additional costs to implement the process of creating a new category of dental hygienist authority, the advanced dental therapists. However, these costs are not expected to be incurred until future biennia as it is anticipated that it will take several years before potential candidates become qualified.