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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

**‘Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §20054** is enacted to read:

**§ 20054. Integrated treatment and recovery for families**

The department shall develop and fund housing-based programs employing evidence-based strategies in a holistic approach to recovery for vulnerable families affected by substance abuse. The programs must treat mothers affected by substance abuse who have at least one child under 10 years of age when entering the program in an integrated family care model. The programs must provide to a mother in the program stable housing and comprehensive services that support recovery and unification with that mother's children. Comprehensive services provided include all of the following: care coordination, health care, child care, early childhood education, home supports, after-school programming, parenting education, treatment for mental health and substance abuse, postsecondary education, community-based transportation and employment supports. The programs must include coordinated data collection to assess long-term recovery outcomes, transition to employment and independence for mothers participating in the programs.

**Sec. 2. Department of Health and Human Services to issue requests for proposals.**

No later than January 1, 2019, the Department of Health and Human Services shall issue requests for proposals to develop, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 20054, 2 housing-based programs for mothers affected by substance abuse who have children under 10 years of age.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Child Care Services 0563**

Initiative: Provides allocations for child care services in the integrated treatment and recovery for families program.

<b>FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
All Other	\$0	\$866,611
<b>FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$866,611</b>

**Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Z199**

Initiative: Provides allocations for contracted services in the integrated treatment and recovery for families program.

<b>FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
All Other	\$0	\$215,000
<b>FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$215,000</b>

<b>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
<b>FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUND</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,081,611</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,081,611</b>

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill, which is a concept draft. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to issue a request for proposals for 2 housing-based programs for mothers affected by substance use disorder who have at least one child under 10 years of age when entering the program. The mothers in the programs must receive stable housing and comprehensive services that support recovery and unification with their children. The services provided include care coordination, health care, child care, early childhood education, home supports, after-school programming, parenting education, treatment for mental health and substance use disorder, postsecondary education, community-based transportation and employment supports. The programs must include data collection to assess long-term recovery outcomes, transition to employment and independence.

The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section for child care and contracted services in the integrated treatment and recovery for families program.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)