



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 162

LR 1311(02)

An Act To Improve Care Provided to Forensic Patients

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to build a forensic stepdown facility in Augusta called the Riverview Forensic Treatment and Rehabilitation Center. DHHS has presented information to the legislature that the cost for a forensic stepdown facility is estimated at between 2 to 3 million dollars and that it already has sufficient resources to build the facility. DHHS is in the planning process to build such a facility in Bangor. This fiscal note assumes that the resources assigned to the Bangor facility would be used for the Riverview Forensic Treatment and Rehabilitation Center and that no additional appropriations are required.