

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Working Group To Study Background Checks for Child Care Facilities and Providers

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Health and Human Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$99,309	\$102,282	\$105,361	\$108,570
Highway Fund	\$23,577	\$24,250	\$24,942	\$25,655
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$99,309	\$102,282	\$105,361	\$108,570
Highway Fund	\$23,577	\$24,250	\$24,942	\$25,655
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$339,193	\$230,028	\$233,972	\$238,169
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$540,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$540,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$540,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This fiscal note assumes 5000 background checks the 1st year, 2000 annually after that. These checks include fingerprint checks by the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and information searches by the Maine Background Check Center at the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

The bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$43,015 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$44,242 in fiscal year 2018-19 and Highway Fund allocations of \$23,577 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$24,250 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the DPS for one Identification Specialist II position and related costs to process additional fingerprint checks. It also includes Other Special Revenue Funds (OSRF) allocations of \$188,313 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$75,325 in fiscal year 2018-19. OSRF revenue will increase by \$260,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$104,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 from fees received at DPS for fingerprint checks.

The bill also includes General Fund appropriations of \$56,294 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$58,040 in fiscal year 2018-19 and OSRF allocations of \$12,769 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$13,165 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the DHHS for one Office Associate II Supervisor position to handle additional work from the increase in background checks. It also includes OSRF allocations of \$138,111 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$141,538 in fiscal year 2018-19 for 2 Identification Specialist II positions to handle additional work from the increase in background checks. OSRF revenue will increase by \$280,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$112,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for the Maine Background Check Center fees. Additionally, the Federal Block Grant Fund allocations and revenue will increase to cover the costs of all fees for background checks provided by both the DPS and the DHHS.