

## 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Allow Drug Testing Prior to Providing Welfare Benefits

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Hanley of Pittston Committee: Health and Human Services Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement**

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b> Federal Block Grant Fund	\$288,329	\$294,740	\$301,609	\$309,067
Revenue Federal Block Grant Fund	\$288,329	\$294,740	\$301,609	\$309,067

## **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will require Federal Block Grant Fund allocations of \$288,329 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$294,740 in fiscal year 2018-19 for 3 Senior Planners to conduct and score the comprehensive substance abuse screening, schedule drug tests, make referrals to treatment programs and to cover the cost of additional written screenings that will be required.

There is also an additional cost for the drug tests (\$62/each), but it is unknown how many of these tests will be required after the screening is complete. Also, it is expected that this will have an impact on MaineCare expenditures or DHHS Substance Abuse treatment contracts due to increased enrollment in treatment programs. The fiscal impact for these portions of the bill cannot be determined.