



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1917

LR 3072(04)

An Act To Employ Veterans in Health Care To Meet Workforce Needs and Provide Funding to the Community College System To Support the Training of Nursing Students

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

S "A" (S-544)

Committee: Not Referred

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$850,000	\$650,000	\$650,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$850,000	\$650,000	\$650,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations totaling \$850,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 to the Maine Community College System to support the hiring of additional nursing faculty and the acquisition of equipment and instruction space to expand nursing classes. Of this amount, \$650,000 per year is provided on an ongoing basis to the following: Southern Maine Community College (\$200,000), Central Maine Community College (\$200,000) and Eastern Maine Community College (\$250,000). One-time funding of \$200,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 is provided to Northern Maine Community College to support the acquisition of a nursing simulator.

Additional costs to the State Board of Nursing, affiliated with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, to implement the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. Additional dedicated revenue received from licensing fees is expected to be minimal.