



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Improve the Child Welfare System

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Hamper of Oxford

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
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$19,668,096	\$11,668,096	\$11,668,096
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$19,668,096	\$11,668,096	\$11,668,096
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$695,686	\$695,686	\$695,686
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$1,078,838	\$1,078,838	\$1,078,838

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$19,668,096 in fiscal year 2018-19 to increase foster home reimbursement rates, provide stipends to positions, procure a pilot program to provide supportive visitation, provide clinical support of child welfare casework practice and develop a new child welfare information system, hire 16 Human Services Caseworker Supervisor positions and hire 2 Regional Associate Director for Child Welfare positions for the child protective services program. The bill also includes Federal Expenditures Fund allocations and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the federal match.

If this bill were to move forward, the appropriations would need to be adjusted for timing of implementation.