



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Resolve, To Address Inequities for Certain Direct Care Workers

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Madigan of Waterville

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$37,860,166	\$37,753,891	\$37,729,981	\$37,733,118
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$37,860,166	\$37,753,891	\$37,729,981	\$37,733,118
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$66,782,026	\$66,865,608	\$66,865,608	\$66,865,608
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$112,314	\$96,835	\$80,529	\$82,668
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$66,782,026	\$66,856,608	\$66,865,608	\$66,865,608

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$37,860,166 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$37,753,891 in fiscal year 2022-23 to amend its rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 17, Allowances for Community Support Services and Section 65, Behavioral Health Services to increase reimbursement rates for daily living support services and any home and community-based services provided by behavioral health professionals by 20%. The department will also require funding to establish 2 limited period Staff Auditor I positions and 2 Staff Auditor I positions to handle the increased audit requirement necessary to ensure that the increase in wages and benefits to employees providing direct care services is equal to the amount of increase in reimbursement to be received by providers as required in this bill. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.