



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 329

LR 2051(02)

An Act to Ensure Health Care for All Maine Residents

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Legislative Cost/Study

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The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$5,850 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$5,850 in fiscal year 2024-25. The Legislature's proposed budget for the 2024-2025 biennium includes \$14,500 in each of fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25 for the costs of legislative studies, as well as \$2,234 in projected balances from fiscal year 2022-23 and \$36,777 of balances carried over from prior years for this purpose. Whether these amounts are sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature. The additional costs of providing staffing assistance to the study during the interim can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted staff resources.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance and the Office of Affordable Health Care to take part in the Blue Ribbon Commission on Guaranteed Health Care are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.

Additional costs to the University of Maine System, the Maine Health Data Organization and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to provide staffing assistance to the commission, if requested, can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.