

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 841

LR 1144(01)

An Act to Permit a Short-term Waiver from the Minimum Wage for Chronically Unemployed Individuals

> Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Walker of Naples Committee: Labor and Housing Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$144,768	\$201,957	\$208,711	\$215,709
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$144,768	\$201,957	\$208,711	\$215,709

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Regulation and Enforcement program within the Department of Labor will require ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$144,768 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$201,957 in fiscal year 2024-25 for 2 Labor and Safety Inspector positions and related All Other costs necessary to support the anticipated increase in regulatory oversight to ensure compliance with the law regarding special wage certificates for individuals experiencing chronic unemployment. This estimate assumes an October 1, 2023 effective date.