

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Protect Maine Citizens from Discrimination by Including Vaccination Status as a Protected Class

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Greenwood of Wales Committee: Judiciary 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	\$109,536	\$154,085	\$159,320	\$164,745
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$109,536	\$154,085	\$159,320	\$164,745

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Maine Human Rights Commission will require General Fund Appropriations of \$109,536 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$154,085 in fiscal year 2024-25 to establish one Maine Human Rights Investigator position and one half-time Secretary Associate Legal position to manage the anticipated increase in intakes and complaints filed with the Commission due to adding vaccination status as a protected class under the Maine Human Rights Act. These estimates assume an effective date of October 1, 2023.