



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Amend MaineCare Rules Governing Certain Types of Behavioral and Mental Health Services and to Form a Stakeholder Group to Study Methods for Improving Those Services

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Stewart of Aroostook

Committee: Health and Human Services

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	\$0	\$7,078,894	\$6,917,252	\$6,917,252
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$7,078,894	\$6,917,252	\$6,917,252
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$504,731	\$337,432	\$337,432
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$0	\$28,748	\$28,706	\$28,706
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$504,731	\$337,432	\$337,432
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$0	\$28,748	\$28,706	\$28,706

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$7,078,894 in fiscal year 2024-25 for payment changes required under the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 65 and for services provided in residential treatment facilities for persons with mental illness and in specialized or scattered residential treatment facilities as described in the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 97, Appendices E and F, respectively, and for one-time funding for a rate study contract. The payment changes required in the bill are largely, though not entirely, to reimburse for room and board costs, which do not receive a federal match. These services will need to be funded with 100% General Fund dollars. Federal Expenditures Fund and Federal Block Grant Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.