

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 105****LR 193(02)****An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Commission Regarding Foreign-trained Physicians  
Living in Maine to Establish a Sponsorship Program for Internationally Trained Physicians****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**  
**Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services**  
**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

	<b>FY 2025-26</b>	<b>FY 2026-27</b>	<b>Projections FY 2027-28</b>	<b>Projections FY 2028-29</b>
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$2,500,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2025-26 to a newly established International Medical Graduates Sponsorship Program within the Finance Authority of Maine to provide funding for 10 slots per year at one or more sponsoring institutions for the employment and training of an internationally trained physician issued a temporary educational license to practice medicine in the State. This fiscal note assumes 10 slots are funded each year at a cost of \$250,000 per slot per year. The Finance Authority of Maine has indicated that it will be able to administer the program within the provisions included in the bill.

Additional costs to the Board of Licensure in Medicine, affiliated with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, to implement the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.