



# 132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act to Require Schools to Provide Access to Free Condoms for Students in Grades 9 to 12 in the School Nurse's Office

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Dodge of Belfast

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

### State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires schools to provide access to condoms free of charge to all students enrolled in grades 9 to 12.	School	Moderate statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Actual costs to local school administrative units will depend on the number of condoms dispensed to students in grades 9 to 12 through the school nurse and the price of the condoms. For example, assuming 50% of sexually active students in grades 9 to 12 (based on a 2023 Maine Intergrated Youth Health Survey) access 2 condoms per month for each of the 9 school months at a cost of \$0.12 per condom, the cost per year would be \$18,300. The cost for the state to fund 90% of the mandate would be \$16,470 annually.