

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 500****LR 886(01)****An Act to Ensure Access to Safe Drinking Water from Household Wells in Rural Areas by Expanding Testing****Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill****Sponsor: Rep. Pluecker of Warren****Committee: Health and Human Services****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$126,877	\$151,561	\$155,019	\$158,145
Appropriations/Allocations				
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Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$126,877 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$151,561 in fiscal year 2026-27 for one Public Health Educator III position for public education and outreach related to household well water testing and to provide free water testing for certain contaminants to low-income households.

Additional costs to the Maine State Housing Authority associated with consulting with the Department of Health and Human Services regarding the availability of grants under Title 30-A, section 4722, paragraph FF can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.