

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 705****LR 2321(03)****An Act to Provide Appropriations and Allocations for the Operations of State Government****Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:****C "A" (H-1068)****Committee: Appropriations and Financial Affairs****Fiscal Note**

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$10,379,679	\$10,379,679
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,653,131	\$10,379,679	\$10,379,679
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$2,834,366	\$4,060,295	\$4,060,295
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$0	\$159,198	\$281,626	\$281,626
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$2,834,366	\$4,060,295	\$4,060,295
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$0	\$159,198	\$281,626	\$281,626
Transfers				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,653,131	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$1,653,131)	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$1,653,131 in fiscal year 2026-27 to implement a cost-of-living adjustment for services provided under MaineCare Benefits Manual Chapter 3, Section 28 and Section 97 Appendix B and Appendix D. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included in the bill for the FMAP match. The bill includes a one-time transfer from the MaineCare Stabilization Fund of \$1,653,131 to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund in fiscal year 2026-27 to cover the cost-of-living adjustment in that year.

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations to the Department of Education of \$375,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 for an early childhood nutrition grant program and a one-time deappropriation of the same amount in fiscal year 2026-27 to reverse one-time funding provided in Public Law 2025, c.650. The bill also includes ongoing General Fund appropriations to the Maine State Housing Authority of \$7,500,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 for low-income electric ratepayer assistance and a one-time deappropriation of the same amount in fiscal year 2026-27 to reverse one-time funding provided in Public Law 2025, c.650. These changes will increase costs to the General Fund in future biennia.