

132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Modernize the State Supplement to Supplemental Security Income by Removing Marriage Disincentives

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Sen. Tipping of Penobscot 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	\$36,828	\$36,828	\$36,828	\$36,828
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$36,828	\$36,828	\$36,828	\$36,828

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require ongoing annual General Fund appropriations of \$36,828 beginning in fiscal year fiscal year 2025-26 to provide that the state supplemental income benefit paid to a couple, both of whom receive the supplement, is equal to the sum of the benefit amount for each individual in the couple. Under current law, the benefit for a couple is equal to 150% of the benefit for an individual.