

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1022****LR 965(01)****An Act to Protect and Increase Access to Justice in Civil Legal Matters for Persons with Low Incomes****Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill****Sponsor: Sen. Carney of Cumberland****Committee: Judiciary****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement**

	<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	\$6,400,000	\$9,500,000	\$9,500,000	\$9,500,000
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$6,400,000	\$9,500,000	\$9,500,000	\$9,500,000

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Judicial Branch of \$6,400,000 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$9,500,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 to supplement existing revenue from ongoing sources and replace one-time funding with additional ongoing revenue to be distributed to providers of civil legal services.