

132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Enhance Data Collection Requirements Related to Immigration Status and Asylum Seekers to Safeguard Services for Legal Residents

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Judiciary
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires state government entities and nonprofit entities, and authorizes local government entities, to provide aggregate data on the immigration status, county of residence, employment status and vaccination status of immigrants who receive publicly funded services as well as a description of the types of services provided. It is estimated that the annual General Fund costs to the Office of New Americans within the Office of Policy Innovation and the Future would be \$334,710 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$303,006 in fiscal year 2026-27 to establish one Public Service Coordinator II position to develop and maintain a registry and data portal for service providers, schools, and local units of government to convey aggregated demographic, health, and citizenship data effective October 1, 2025. This bill provides no new funding. As this bill is required to be administered within existing resources, the impact of these new unfunded costs on other programs in the Office of New Americans cannot be determined at this time.