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6	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7	129TH LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 1030, L.D. 1417, Bill, "An Act To
10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " to H.P. 1030, L.D. 1417, Bill, "An Act To Expand Access to Head Start To Assist Opioid-affected and Other At-risk Families"
11 12 13	Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 4 in the first paragraph in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "up to 5 years of age" and inserting the following: 'who has not met the minimum age requirement to enroll in a school
14	administrative unit in accordance with Title 20-A, section 5201, subsection 2 and'
15	Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting the following:
16 17	'Sec. 2. Department of Health and Human Services to distribute funds to Head Start programs based upon new eligibility standards for at-risk
18	children and family poverty level. The Department of Health and Human Services,
19	Office of Child and Family Services shall use funds received in section 3 to supplement
20 21	funds currently available for Head Start program service providers. The department shall proportionately distribute the funds received in section 3 to nontribal Head Start program
22	service providers in an amount based upon the percentage of nonschool age children who
23	live at or below the federal poverty level in each provider's service area compared to the
24	percentage of nonschool age children who live at or below the federal poverty level
25	statewide. A Head Start program service provider that receives funds pursuant to this Act
26	shall use the funds to provide Head Start program services to applicants who meet the
27	eligibility standards under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 3736, subsection
28	4, with preference given to nonschool age children who are at risk or whose families are
99	at risk. If a Head Start program service provider that receives funds pursuant to this Act

has a vacancy, the service provider shall seek referrals from the Office of Child and

Family Services. For purposes of this section, "at risk" means affected by substance use

disorder, sexual or physical abuse, homelessness, a mental health disorder or another condition that affects the emotional, mental or physical health of a child. For the

purposes of this section, "nonschool age child" means a child who has not met the

minimum age requirement to enroll in a school administrative unit in accordance with

Title 20-A, section 5201, subsection 2.

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1	Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.
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3	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
4	Head Start 0545
5	Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to supplement funding to nontribal Head Start program
6	service providers.
-	CENEDAL EUND 2010 20 2020 21
7	GENERAL FUND 2019-20 2020-21
8 9	All Other \$7,500,000 \$15,000,000
10	GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$7,500,000 \$15,000,000
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12	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
13	section number to read consecutively.
14	SUMMARY
15	This amendment clarifies that eligibility for the Head Start program is limited to
16	children who have not met the minimum age requirement to enroll in a school
17 18	administrative unit in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 5201, subsection 2.
19	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
20	(See attached)