

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE

H.P. 777 - L.D. 1229

An Act to Provide Information to Parents Involved in the Child Protective Services System and Ensure Funding in the Child Protective Services Contingency Fund

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4004, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 2007, c. 586, §2, is further amended to read:

D. Establishing and maintaining a Child Protective Services Contingency Fund, which is a nonlapsing fund, to provide temporary assistance to families to help them provide proper care for their children;

Sec. 2. Contract requirements. The Department of Health and Human Services shall contract with an entity to provide free virtual classes conducted in real time with information, resources and support to parents who are involved in the child protective services system. The classes must be facilitated by parents who have experience with the child protective services system or who have navigated multiple complex systems. The contracted entity must conduct activities that maximize outreach to parents that qualify, promote the classes to parents and providers of services to such parents and provide one-on-one follow-up with parents who participate in the classes.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Office of Child and Family Services - District 0452

Initiative: Provides one-time funding to contract with an entity to provide free virtual classes that provide information, resources and support to parents involved in the child protective services system, facilitated by parents who have experience with the child protective services system or who have navigated multiple complex systems.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$0	\$200,000

GENERAL FUND TOTAL

\$0

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