



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Improve the Integrity of Maine's Welfare Programs

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Libby of Androscoggin

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$1,079,683	\$225,820	\$230,710	\$234,749
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$1,079,683	\$225,820	\$230,710	\$234,749
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$108,215	\$21,643	\$21,643	\$21,643
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$95,140	\$193,999	\$198,889	\$202,928
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$132,243	\$1,536	\$1,536	\$1,536
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$108,215	\$21,643	\$21,643	\$21,643
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$95,140	\$193,999	\$198,888	\$202,927
Federal Block Grant Fund	\$132,242	\$1,536	\$1,536	\$1,536

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$95,140 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$193,999 in fiscal year 2016-17 to hire 5 Fraud Investigators by January 1, 2016. Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$95,140 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$193,999 in fiscal year 2016-17 will also be required.

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$984,543 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$31,821 in fiscal year 2016-17 for technology updates and annual operating costs required to limit use outside of the State and to limit what can be purchased with EBT cards. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations of \$108,215 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$21,643 in fiscal year 2016-17 and Federal Block Grant Fund allocations of \$132,242 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$1,536 in fiscal year 2016-17 will also be required.

Any savings achieved would likely not accrue to the General Fund due to the Maintenance of Effort spending required of the State to receive the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Federal Block Grant funds.