



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1231

LR 1356(05)

Resolve, To Assess the Need for Mental Health Care Services for Veterans in Maine and To Establish a Pilot Program To Provide Case Management Services to Veterans for Mental Health Care

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-407)

H "A" (H-553) to C "A" (H-407)

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$875,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$875,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfers				
General Fund	(\$875,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$875,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill included two General Fund (GF) deappropriations totaling \$875,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 and a transfer of the same amount from GF to Other Special Revenue Funds (OSR) in fiscal year 2016-17. As fiscal year 2016-17 was already closed when this bill was chaptered, no transactions could be done in fiscal year 2016-17. The State Controller will make the transfer in fiscal year 2017-18, but no offsetting deappropriations can be made. Had the deappropriations been made there would have been an increase to the unappropriated surplus account in the GF and to the budgeted fund balance. The appropriations did lapse to the same unappropriated surplus once the year ended without the funds having been expended, but this portion of the unappropriated surplus was distributed through the so called "cascade" per statute. The numbers above have been revised to reflect the transfer in fiscal year 2017-18 but no offsetting deappropriations.

Fiscal Detail and Notes - if enactment had not been delayed

This bill includes a deappropriation of \$375,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 from the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management and transfers \$375,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services.

This bill includes a deappropriation \$500,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Mental Health Services - Community account and transfers \$500,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Veterans Mental Health and Case Management Services Fund, Other Special Revenue Fund account in DHHS. Additionally, it allocates \$875,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 to the Veterans Mental Health and Case Management Services Fund to reimburse hospitals for the costs of screening and data collection and to support a pilot program providing mental health and case management services to veterans.