



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act Regarding MaineCare Coverage for Telehealth Services

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Gratwick of Penobscot

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$2,869	\$5,739	\$5,739	\$5,739
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$2,869	\$5,739	\$5,739	\$5,739
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$5,178	\$10,355	\$10,355	\$10,355
Revenue				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$5,178	\$10,355	\$10,355	\$10,355

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Health and Human Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$2,869 in fiscal year 2017-18 and \$5,739 in fiscal year 2018-19 for additional telehealth per-visit site facility fees and per-month telemonitoring fees. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations will also be required for the FMAP match.

There is no expected increase in costs for procedures within MaineCare for telehealth services. MaineCare rules, under MaineCare Benefits Manuals Ch. I Section 4 Telehealth, state "The same procedure codes and rates apply to the underlying Covered Service as if those Services were delivered face to face."