

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Improve Educator Certification Response Times

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Sen. Rafferty of York Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$421,019	\$561,080	\$579,684	\$598,958
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$421,019	\$561,080	\$579,684	\$598,958

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$421,019 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$561,080 in fiscal year 2024-25 to the Higher Education and Educator Support Services program within the Department of Education for 5 Education Specialist III positions and related All Other costs in order to increase response times for educator certification and to provide oversight of the certification process effective October 1, 2023.