

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN

H.P. 369 - L.D. 525

An Act To Enhance Maine's Response to Domestic Violence

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

Sec. 1. Report on effectiveness of programs. The Department of Corrections shall submit to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters a report regarding the effectiveness of certified batterers' intervention programs, including any suggested implementing legislation, by December 5, 2020. The joint standing committee may report out legislation addressing the report.

Sec. 2. Sunset of funding for programs. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, funding provided to the Department of Corrections, Office of Victim Services related to expenditures for certified batterers' intervention programs may not be provided beyond fiscal year 2020-21 without explicit legislative approval.

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

CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF

Office of Victim Services 0046

Initiative: Provides funds for partial reimbursement of certified batterers' intervention programs for indigent participant fees. These funds are appropriated on an ongoing basis but not after June 30, 2021.

GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
All Other	\$0	\$100,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$100,000

Office of Victim Services 0046

Initiative: Provides funds for training programs to sustain and expand the accessibility of certified batterers' intervention programs. These funds are appropriated on an ongoing basis but not after June 30, 2021.

GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
All Other	\$0	\$20,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>

Office of Victim Services 0046

Initiative: Provides funds for partial reimbursement of mileage expenses for certified batterers' intervention program facilitators who are providing testimony and information required by the court regarding offender participation in certified batterers' intervention programs as a condition of release. These funds are appropriated on an ongoing basis but not after June 30, 2021.

GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
All Other	\$0	\$5,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>

Office of Victim Services 0046

Initiative: Provides funds for the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence for the administrative expenses associated with additional funding for certified batterers' intervention program expenses. These funds are appropriated on an ongoing basis but not after June 30, 2021.

GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
All Other	\$0	\$25,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>

CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2017-18	2018-19
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$150,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>