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House of Representatives, March 26, 2019

An Act To Improve Oral Health and Access to Dental Care for Maine Children

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach.
Cosponsored by Senator MOORE of Washington and
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HEPLER of Woolwich,
MASTRACCIO of Sanford, PERRY of Calais, Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of
Penobscot, SANBORN, L. of Cumberland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Report on preventive oral health services.** The Department of Health
3 and Human Services shall report on the status of the expansion of preventive oral health
4 services provided in schools pursuant to this Act through the Department of Health and
5 Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, rural health and
6 primary care division's oral health program, including the number of schools and children
7 served and the results of those services, which populations and geographic areas are not
8 being covered by the services provided by the program and whether additional funding is
9 needed. The department shall submit an interim report to the Joint Standing Committee
10 on Health and Human Services no later than September 30, 2020 and a final report,
11 including recommendations for funding or improvements to the program, no later than
12 December 15, 2020 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
13 over oral health matters, which may report out legislation to the First Regular Session of
14 the 130th Legislature based on the report.

15 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
16 allocations are made.

17 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

18 **Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 0143**

19 Initiative: Provides funding for one Oral Health Coordinator position in the oral health
20 program within the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, rural health and
21 primary care division to lead the State's public health functions related to oral health.

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23	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
24	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
25	Personal Services	\$80,883	\$83,769
26	All Other	\$6,286	\$6,286
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28	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$87,169	\$90,055

29 **Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 0143**

30 Initiative: Provides funding for one Planning and Research Associate II position in the
31 rural health and primary care division within the Maine Center for Disease Control and
32 Prevention to assist the Oral Health Coordinator with data analysis, performance
33 management reporting and program planning and evaluation.

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35	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
36	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
37	Personal Services	\$80,883	\$83,769
38	All Other	\$6,286	\$6,286
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40	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$87,169	\$90,055

1 **Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 0143**

2 Initiative: Provides funding to expand preventive oral health services provided in all
 3 schools in the State through the oral health program in the rural health and primary care
 4 division within the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

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6	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
7	All Other	\$500,000	\$500,000
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9	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>

10 **Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 0143**

11 Initiative: Provides funding for one half-time Office Assistant II position to provide
 12 logistical and administrative support for the expansion of the oral health program for
 13 schools through the rural health and primary care division within the Maine Center for
 14 Disease Control and Prevention.

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16	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
17	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.500	0.500
18	Personal Services	\$26,000	\$27,000
19	All Other	\$3,143	\$3,143
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21	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$29,143</u>	<u>\$30,143</u>

22 **Office of MaineCare Services 0129**

23 Initiative: Provides funding for one Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment
 24 Dental Coordinator position in the Office of MaineCare Services.

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26	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2019-20	2020-21
27	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
28	Personal Services	\$80,883	\$83,769
29	All Other	\$6,286	\$6,286
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31	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	<u>\$87,169</u>	<u>\$90,055</u>

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33	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,		
34	DEPARTMENT OF		
35	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2019-20	2020-21
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37	GENERAL FUND	\$703,481	\$710,253
38	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	\$87,169	\$90,055
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1 **DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS** **\$790,650** **\$800,308**

2 **SUMMARY**

3 This bill establishes within the Department of Health and Human Services one Oral
4 Health Coordinator position in the oral health program within the Maine Center for
5 Disease Control and Prevention, rural health and primary care division to lead the State's
6 work on oral health; one Planning and Research Associate II position in the rural health
7 and primary care division within the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention
8 tasked with data analysis, performance management reporting and program planning and
9 evaluation; and one Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment Dental
10 Coordinator position in the Office of MaineCare Services. The bill also provides funding
11 to expand preventive oral health services provided in schools through the oral health
12 program within the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, rural health and
13 primary care division to all schools in the State and a half-time Office Assistant II
14 position to provide logistical and administrative support for that expansion.