



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 97, Private Non-Medical Institution Services, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Farnsworth of Portland

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Current biennium savings - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This resolve provides for Legislative review of a major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human Services. The rules implement initiatives included in PL 2013. c.368, the 2014-2015 Biennial Budget that eliminate funding for the Infant Mental Health program and use the funding for other related purposes. The budget initiatives deappropriated \$3 million in MaineCare seed funding each of fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15. The Department of Health and Human Services now estimates the rules implementing these initiatives would have an annual General Fund savings of \$3.4 million. The fiscal note does not include a deappropriation for these additional savings. It assumes they are being used for the related purposes identified in the budget initiatives or are being used to help address the current MaineCare funding shortfall.