

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 703

H.P. 442

House of Representatives, February 25, 2025

An Act to Establish a Health Care Gap Year Program for Recent College Graduates

Reference to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

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

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator INGWERSEN of York and
Representatives: DHALAC of South Portland, DODGE of Belfast, SKOLD of Portland,
Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, BENNETT of Oxford, BERNARD of Aroostook, RENY
of Lincoln.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
3 allocations are made.

4 **LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF**

5 **Employment Services Activity 0852**

6 Initiative: Provides one-time funds for a health care gap year program that incentivizes
7 recent college graduates to work in critical health care positions, particularly in underserved
8 and rural communities.

9	GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
10	All Other	\$500,000	\$0
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12	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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SUMMARY

14 This bill provides one-time funds for a health care gap year program that incentivizes
15 recent college graduates to work in critical health care positions, particularly in underserved
16 and rural communities.