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L.D. 779

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 336, L.D. 779, "An Act to Fund the Aroostook County Drug Treatment Court"

Amend the bill in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2026" and inserting the following: '2027'

Amend the bill in section 2 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2026" and inserting the following: '2027'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting the following:

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

ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE

District Attorneys Salaries 0409

Initiative: Appropriates one-time funds to establish one limited-period Assistant District Attorney position to facilitate the creation of a drug treatment court in Aroostook County.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
Personal Services	\$0	\$140,500
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$140,500

ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE
DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2025-26	2026-27
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$140,500
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$140,500

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Office of Behavioral Health Z199

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Initiative: Provides one-time allocation for the Office of Behavioral Health to contract with an entity to provide the required pretrial services for the new drug treatment court in Aroostook County.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$0	\$561,283
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$0	\$561,283

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2025-26	2026-27
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$561,283
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$561,283

PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON

Maine Commission on Public Defense Services Z112

Initiative: Appropriates one-time funds to provide legal representation to participants in the new drug treatment court in Aroostook County.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$0	\$39,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$39,000

PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES, MAINE
COMMISSION ON
DEPARTMENT TOTALS

	2025-26	2026-27
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$39,000
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$39,000

SECTION TOTALS

	2025-26	2026-27
GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$179,500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$561,283
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$740,783

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, amends the bill to provide funding for a drug treatment court in Aroostook County in fiscal year 2026-27 instead of fiscal year 2025-26.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 779****LR 2076(02)****An Act to Fund the Aroostook County Drug Treatment Court****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A S-258"****Committee: Judiciary****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$179,500	\$0	-
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$561,283	\$0	\$-
Transfers				
General Fund	\$0	\$179,500	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$179,500)	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$140,500 in fiscal year 2026-27 to the Office of the Attorney General to establish one limited-period Assistant District Attorney position for the creation of a drug treatment court in Aroostook County.

The bill also includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$39,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 to the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services to provide legal representation services for the new drug treatment court in Aroostook County.

The bill also includes a one-time Other Special Revenue Funds allocation to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$561,283 in fiscal year 2026-27 for the Office of Behavioral Health to contract with an entity to provide the required pretrial services for the drug treatment court in Aroostook County and a transfer from the Department of Health and Human Services, Opioid Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account to the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, Other Special Revenue Funds account to fund this contract.

Additionally, the bill includes a transfer from the Department of Health and Human Services, Opioid Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to offset the General Fund costs of the Attorney General and the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services.