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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

123RD LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 273, L.D. 880, Bill, "An Act To Increase the Amount of Money a Resident in a Nursing Home May Spend on Personal Expenses"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY DHS)

Nursing Facilities 0148

Initiative: Appropriates and allocates funds for an increase in the minimum personal needs allowance for nursing home residents to \$50 per month.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$152,367	\$203,101
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$152,367	\$203,101

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$262,803	\$350,459
FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$262,803	\$350,459

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment adds a section to the bill, providing a General Fund appropriation for the state share of MaineCare costs and an allocation for matching federal funds.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 880

LR 741(02)

An Act To Increase the Amount of Money a Resident in a Nursing Home May Spend on Personal Expenses

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A "

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2007-08	2008-09	Projections 2009-10	Projections 2010-11
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$152,367	\$203,101	\$203,101	\$203,101
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$152,367	\$203,101	\$203,101	\$203,101
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$262,803	\$350,459	\$350,459	\$350,459

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Provides a General Fund appropriation of \$152,367 in 2007-08 and \$203,101 in 2008-09 for the State's share of the cost of increasing the minimum personal needs allowance for MaineCare nursing home residents to \$50 per month. The current nursing home personal needs allowance is \$40 per month. It is assumed that 4,613 nursing home residents would retain an additional \$10 per month, resulting in the MaineCare program picking up a total cost of \$553,560 per year that is split between the state and federal governments based on the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP). The first year effective date is assumed to be October 1, 2007.