

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION-2018

Legislative Document

No. 1885

S.P. 720

In Senate, March 27, 2018

**An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force To
Address the Opioid Crisis in the State Regarding Increased Access
to Drug Courts**

Reported by Senator KEIM of Oxford for the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 353.

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Secretary of the Senate

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 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

5 **Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Z199**

6 Initiative: Provides funds for case management and other ancillary services provided by
7 the office for drug courts established by the Judicial Department. These funds must be
8 used to provide services for up to 30 new participants either at a new drug court in the
9 State or in existing drug courts in the State.

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11	GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
12	All Other	\$0	\$150,000
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14	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

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16 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,**
17 **DEPARTMENT OF**
18 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

19		2017-18	2018-19
20	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$150,000
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22	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

23 **JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**

24 **Courts - Supreme, Superior and District 0063**

25 Initiative: Provides funds for active retired judges to cover other court time of full-time
26 sitting judges assigned either to a new drug court in the State or to existing drug courts in
27 the State to allow for up to 30 new participants.

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29	GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
30	All Other	\$0	\$10,800
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32	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,800</u>

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34 **JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**
35 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

36		2017-18	2018-19
37	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$10,800

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2	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,800</u>
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4	SECTION TOTALS	2017-18	2018-19
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6	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$160,800
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8	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$160,800</u>

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary to implement a
 11 recommendation in the report of the Task Force To Address the Opioid Crisis in the
 12 State. It provides additional funding for the Judicial Department to establish a new drug
 13 court in the State for up to 30 participants or to expand by up to 30 the number of
 14 participants served by existing drug courts in the State pursuant to the Maine Revised
 15 Statutes, Title 4, section 421. The bill also provides funding for the case management
 16 and ancillary services provided to drug court participants by the office of substance abuse
 17 and mental health services within the Department of Health and Human Services.

18 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

19 **(See attached)**



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Fiscal Note for Original Bill

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$160,800	\$164,400	\$164,400
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$160,800	\$164,400	\$164,400

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$150,000 in fiscal year 2018-19 for case management and other ancillary services provided by the Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, for a maximum of 30 participants, for drug courts established by the Judicial Department. These funds can be used either to provide services at a new drug court in the state or to provide services for an increased number of participants in existing drug courts in the State.

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Judicial Branch of \$10,800 in fiscal year 2018-19 for active retired judges to cover other court time of full-time sitting judges assigned either to a new drug court in the State or to existing drug courts in the State that are expanded to allow for an increased number of participants up to a maximum of 30.