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L.D. 648

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 253, L.D. 648, "An Act To Improve the Lives of Maine Workers by Supporting Apprenticeships That Lead to Good-paying Jobs"

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

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'Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §3211, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

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7. Funding. The Maine Apprenticeship Program shall apply at least 75% of program funding used for reimbursement of direct training costs toward apprenticeship programs in which the apprentice starting wage is at least 1.25 times the rate of the minimum wage established in section 664 and the ending wage, upon completion of the apprenticeship agreement, is at least 1.5 times the rate of the minimum wage.'

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

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SUMMARY

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This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment specifies that at least 75% of program funding for apprenticeship programs must be used for reimbursement of direct training costs for apprenticeship programs in which the apprentice starting wage is at least 1.25 times the rate of the minimum wage and the ending wage, upon completion of the apprenticeship agreement, is at least 1.5 times the rate of the minimum wage.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Approved: 05/10/21 *MAC*



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 648

LR 1871(02)

An Act To Improve the Lives of Maine Workers by Supporting Apprenticeships That Lead to Good-paying Jobs

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-100)

Committee: Labor and Housing

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Redistributes funding for Maine Apprenticeship Program

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Requiring the Maine Apprenticeship Program within the Department of Labor to apply at least 75% of the program funding used for reimbursement of direct training costs toward apprenticeship programs in which the starting wage is at least 1.25 times the minimum wage rate and at least 1.5 times the minimum wage rate upon completion of the apprenticeship agreement will limit the amount of funding available for other apprenticeship programs that do not meet this criteria to 25% of the total program funding available.