

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**SENATE**

**130TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 389, L.D. 1204, "An Act To Address the Shortage of Direct Care Workers for Children with Disabilities in Maine"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

**'Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** a shortage of direct care workers has resulted in individuals, including children, eligible for in-home personal care services who are not receiving critical services; and

**Whereas,** parents of children eligible for in-home personal care services are leaving paid employment to provide care in the absence of available direct care workers, resulting in economic hardship; and

**Whereas,** this legislation requires the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a request for the necessary state plan amendment or Medicaid waiver from the Federal Government as soon after enactment as possible; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following:

**'Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF  
Medical Care - Payments to Providers 0147**

Initiative: Provides funding for the reimbursement of a parent providing in-home personal care services to the parent's child by allowing the parent to register as a personal care agency.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 389, L.D. 1204 (S-156)

1	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
2	All Other	\$55,612	\$111,224
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4	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$55,612</u>	<u>\$111,224</u>
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6	<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
7	All Other	\$99,122	\$198,243
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9	<b>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$99,122</u>	<u>\$198,243</u>
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11 Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

12 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation  
13 takes effect when approved.'

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

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause. It also adds an  
18 appropriations and allocations section.

19 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

20 (See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1204

LR 1516(02)

An Act To Address the Shortage of Direct Care Workers for Children with Disabilities in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-156)

Committee: Health and Human Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$55,612	\$111,224	\$111,224	\$111,224
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$55,612	\$111,224	\$111,224	\$111,224
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$99,122	\$198,243	\$198,243	\$198,243
<b>Revenue</b>				
Federal Expenditures Fund	\$99,122	\$198,243	\$198,243	\$198,243

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$55,612 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$111,224 in fiscal year 2022-23 for the reimbursement of a parent providing in-home personal care services to the parent's child by allowing the parent to register as a personal care agency. Federal Expenditures Fund allocations are also included for the FMAP match.