

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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(Filing No. H-699)

Majority  
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
130TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 956, L.D. 1300, "An Act To Require County Governments To Coordinate with Municipalities To Create Plans To Address Homelessness"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF  
Homelessness Plan and Protocols Fund N405**

Initiative: Provides funding to reimburse counties for costs associated with consulting the Statewide Homeless Council, regional homeless councils and municipalities to develop and implement a plan to address homelessness.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$3,240,000	\$1,080,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$3,240,000	\$1,080,000

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, adds an appropriations and allocations section to fund 90% of the costs to the local units of government to develop the county plan required by the bill.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

**130th MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1300****LR 684(02)****An Act To Require County Governments To Coordinate with Municipalities To Create Plans To Address Homelessness****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment****Committee: State and Local Government****Fiscal Note Required: Yes***A (H-699)***Fiscal Note**

## State Mandate - Funded

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$3,240,000	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$3,240,000	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000

**State Mandates****Required Activity**

Requires counties to consult with the Statewide Homeless Council, regional homeless councils and municipalities to develop and implement a plan to address homelessness.

**Unit Affected**

County

**Local Cost**

\$3,600,000 one-time,  
\$1,200,000 ongoing

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$3,240,000 in fiscal year 2020-21 and \$1,080,000 in fiscal year 2022-23 to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to reimburse municipalities for 90% of the costs associated with implementing the mandate. The estimate assumes each county will hire an outside contractor to help develop a plan on a one-time basis and also assumes each county will hire one additional position on an ongoing basis to work with municipalities to establish protocols to implement the plan.