## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LD 709 Date 6 20 23 (Filing No H-6/1) 2 3 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** 4 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House 5 STATE OF MAINE 6 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 7 131ST LEGISLATURE 8 FIRST SPECIAL SESSION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ", to HP 478, LD 709, "An Act to Support ne Share Programming for Seniors" 9 Home Share Programming for Seniors 10 11 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following 12 'Resolve, to Develop a Home Share Pilot Program for Older Persons' 13 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following 14 Sec. 1. Maine State Housing Authority to develop home share pilot 15 program for older persons. Resolved: That the Maine State Housing Authority shall 16 develop and administer, through a contract with an appropriate vendor, a home share pilot 17 program, referred to in this resolve as "the program," primarily aimed at assisting older 18 persons to reduce living expenses, including housing costs, by matching older persons who 19 own homes with spare rooms to adults in need of affordable housing. The Maine State 20 Housing Authority may partner with organizations such as, but not limited to, area agencies 21 on aging, AARP Maine, the Maine Council on Aging and the Equality Maine Network for 22 Older Adults to promote the program For the purposes of this resolve, "older person" has 23 the same meaning as "aging, elderly or older person" in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24 22, section 5104, subsection 1-B 25 Sec. 2. Mame State Housing Authority to issue request for proposals. 26 **Resolved:** That the Maine State Housing Authority shall issue a request for proposals for 27 a vendor to provide a digital-based service for matching older persons who own homes 28 with spare rooms to adults in need of affordable housing. The vendor must 29 1 Assist hosts and renters over the phone, through a text chat function or by video, 30 2 Collect and process rental payments from renters and distribute payments to hosts 31 in a timely manner, 32 3 Protect the private information and data of hosts and renters, 33 4 Conduct background checks on hosts and renters, including contacting at least 2 34 references for a host and for a renter,

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5	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H P 478, L D 709				
1	5 Acquire from renters employment verification or proof of school enrollment, and				
2	6 Review and process all applications				
3 4 5	The request for proposals must favor proposals that provide value in services delivered, equity and impartiality in its processes, compliance with federal and state laws and privacy protections for hosts and renters				
6 7 8 9 10 11	Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That, no later than January 1, 2025, the Maine State Housing Authority shall submit a report on the program detailing the effectiveness of matching older persons who own homes with spare rooms to adults in need of affordable housing, testimonials from hosts and renters and other relevant findings to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters and labor and housing matters				
12 13	Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made				
14	HOUSING AUTHORITY, MAINE STATE				
15	Housing Authority - State 0442				
16 17	Initiative Provides one-time funds for contracting services and subscription fees necessary to develop and administer the home share pilot program				
18 19 20	GENERAL FUND       2023-24       2024-25         All Other       \$200,000       \$0				
21	GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$200,000 \$0				
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23 24	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively				
25	SUMMARY				
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	This amendment replaces the bill, which is a concept draft, with a resolve. It require the Maine State Housing Authority to develop and administer a home share pilot program primarily aimed at assisting older persons by matching older persons who own homes will spare rooms to adults in need of affordable housing. The amendment includes a one-time appropriation of \$200,000 to contract with a vendor and pay subscription costs implement and administer the program. It requires the Maine State Housing Authority submit a report, no later than January 1, 2025, regarding the program to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matter and labor and housing matters.				

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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# **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



## 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Support Home Share Programming for Seniors

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A H - (a) (b)
Committee: Health and Human Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### **Fiscal Note**

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$200,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 to the Maine State Housing Authority for contracting services and subscription fees necessary to implement and administer the home share pilot program for older persons