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3	LABOR AND HOUSING				
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5	STATE OF MAINE				
6	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES				
7	131ST LEGISLATURE				
8	FIRST SPECIAL SESSION				
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to HP 846, LD 1332, "An Act to Strengthen Work Equity Regarding Employment of Minors and Unemployment Benefits"				
11	Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following				
12	'An Act Regarding Employment of Minors'				
13	Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting the following				
14 15	'Sec. 3. 26 MRSA §774, sub-§3, \P A, as amended by PL 1991, c 713, §2, is further amended to read				
16	A This subsection does not apply to				
17 18 19 20 21 22	(1) A minor who has been excused from attendance by school officials in accordance with Title 20-A, section 5001-A, subsection 2 or subsection 3, except that a minor who has been excused in accordance with subsection 3, other than for a home instruction program under Title 20-A, section 5001-A, subsection 3, paragraph A, subparagraph (1), division (c-1), may not be employed during the hours that the minor's school or approved home instruction program is in session,				
23 24	(2) A student in an alternative education plan that includes a work experience component,				
25	(3) A student in an approved vocational cooperative education program, or				
26 27 28	(4) A student who is granted permission for an early school release to work during the hours the school is in session by the school principal-under an agreement with the minor's parent or guardian, or				
29 30	(5) A student in a home instruction program under Title 20-A, section 5001-A, subsection 3, paragraph A, subparagraph (1), division (c-1) '				
31	Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4 and inserting the following				
32 33	'Sec. 4. 'Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made				

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000	1	LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF				
KUS	2	Regulation and Enforcement 0159				
	3 4 5	Initiative Provides funds for one half-time Labor and Safety Inspector position and related All Other costs to ensure compliance with the new regulations regarding minimum wages for minors				
	6 7 8 9	GENERAL FUND POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT Personal Services All Other	2023-24 0 500 \$33,504 \$2,834	2024-25 0 500 \$46,905 \$2,834		
	11 12	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$36,338	\$49,739		
	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or number to read consecutively					
	15	SUMMARY				
1	This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment removes from the bill the requirement that an individual seeking unemployment benefits provide evidence that the individual has applied in person or through an online application por for available work openings. It also changes the title and makes a technical change regarding the home instruction program provisions of the bill. The amendment also act an appropriations and allocations section.					
2	22	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED				
2	23	(See attached)				

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LD 1332

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An Act to Strengthen Work Equity Regarding Employment of Minors and Unemployment Benefits

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "#" (H-/72)

Committee: Labor and Housing

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	\$36,338	\$49,739	\$51,428	\$53,177
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$36,338	\$49,739	\$51,428	\$53,177

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$36,338 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$49,739 in fiscal year 2024-25 to the Regulation and Enforcement program within the Department of Labor for one half-time Labor & Safety Inspector position and related All Other costs to ensure compliance with the new regulations regarding minimum wages for minors. This fiscal note assumes the position will start on October 1, 2023.