

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 554

In Senate, March 28, 2023

An Act to Establish a Mobile Learning Lab

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.

Cosponsored by Senators: BENNETT of Oxford, CURRY of Waldo, PIERCE of Cumberland, RAFFERTY of York, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DODGE of Belfast, FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor, WORTH of Ellsworth.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4710-C** is enacted to read:

3 **§4710-C. Mobile learning lab**

4 **1. Mobile learning lab.** The department shall establish a mobile learning lab for
5 science, technology, engineering and mathematics that will allow students in all areas of
6 the State to engage in hands-on learning. The department may enter into a public-private
7 partnership in the creation of the mobile learning lab.

8 **2. Rules.** The department may adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted
9 pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,
10 subchapter 2-A.

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

13 **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

14 **Learning Systems Team Z081**

15 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for a mobile learning lab for science, technology,
16 engineering and mathematics to allow for students in all areas of the State to engage in
17 hands-on learning.

18 GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
19 All Other	\$250,000	\$250,000
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21 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>

22 **Learning Systems Team Z081**

23 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for contracted staffing services to support a mobile
24 learning lab for science, technology, engineering and mathematics to allow for students in
25 all areas of the State to engage in hands-on learning.

26 GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
27 All Other	\$150,000	\$150,000
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29 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$150,000</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

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31 **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

32 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

33	2023-24	2024-25
34 GENERAL FUND	\$400,000	\$400,000
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36 DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$400,000</u>	<u>\$400,000</u>

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SUMMARY

38 This bill requires the Department of Education to establish a mobile learning lab for
39 science, technology, engineering and mathematics.