



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Adopt the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$89,498	\$117,432	\$123,688	\$130,320

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing Other Special Revenue Funds allocations totaling \$89,498 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$117,432 in fiscal year 2024-25 to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to support the additional costs to the Board of Speech, Audiology and Hearing associated with joining the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact beginning in fiscal year 2023-24. Of that amount, ongoing Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$86,213 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$113,107 in fiscal year 2024-25 are provided to the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation within the department for one Comprehensive Health Planner II position and related All Other costs to support the anticipated increase in workload associated with the board joining the interstate compact. Additionally, ongoing Other Special Revenue allocations of \$3,285 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$4,325 in fiscal year 2024-25 are provided to the Administrative Services - Professional and Financial Regulation program for the technology and other administrative costs associated with adding the position.

The department has indicated that the revenue generated from current licensing and other fees will not be sufficient to support the additional costs associated with this bill and licensing fees will need to be increased. The amount and timing of the fee increase cannot be determined at this time.