



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 478(01)

An Act Regarding Maine Clean Election Act Funds for a Candidate without a Primary Opponent

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Knight of Livermore Falls

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$230,720)	\$0	(\$646,886)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation proposes to eliminate distributions of funds to candidates in uncontested legislative or gubernatorial primary elections. This elimination will result in an Other Special Revenue Funds deallocation of \$230,720 in fiscal year 2012-13 to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices due to not paying candidates in uncontested primaries. This estimate assumes initial payment amounts to qualifying candidates will increase by 4% each election and that there will be 280 Legislative uncontested candidates.