



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Stop Unfunded Mandates Concerning Waste Discharge Licenses

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Clark of Millinocket

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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No fiscal impact

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The unfunded state mandates provision of the Maine Constitution has been found by the Office of the Maine Attorney General not to apply to Maine's waste discharge licensing program. Accordingly, state laws or regulations governing waste discharge licensees cannot be considered to impose mandates on local units of government. Therefore, the language proposed in the bill would not limit the Department of Environmental Protection from imposing any new requirements by rule and there would be no fiscal impact to its passage.