



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 640

LR 755(02)

An Act To Encourage Coyote Management

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue decrease - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation provides a complimentary hunting license to anyone who hunts coyote and has killed 10 coyotes within one year. Currently, hunters who kill coyotes do not tag them, therefore it is unknown how many are killed each year. The bill does not specify how the department will certify the number of coyotes killed each year by any one hunter. If the rules require the coyotes to be tagged, it is unlikely anyone will kill the required 10 since the tagging fee is \$5 per coyote. If the department develops another method to certify the number of coyotes killed, General Fund revenues could be reduced.