



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 737(01)

**An Act To Promote Small-scale Poultry Farming**

**Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill**

**Sponsor: Rep. Kumiega, III of Deer Isle**

**Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund  
Potential current biennium revenue decrease - Federal Expenditures Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry indicates that poultry is part of the State's meat inspection program. The State's meat inspection program follows federal guidelines that allow the state to receive up to 50% of the cost of the program in federal grant money. If the federal government determines this legislation is not within federal guidelines, the State could lose all or a portion of the federal funding received for the meat inspection program. For the federal fiscal year ended 9-30-12, the State received approximately \$270,000 in federal funding for this program.