

126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1811

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An Act To Appropriate and Allocate Funds To Strengthen the State's Efforts To Investigate, Prosecute and Punish Persons Committing Drug Crimes

> Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Net Cost (Savings)	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
General Fund	\$0	\$3,090,166	\$3,094,496	\$3,140,671
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0 \$0	\$3,090,166 \$227,033	\$3,094,496 \$227,033	\$3,140,671 \$227,033

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations totaling \$3,090,166 in fiscal year 2014-15 for the Judicial Department, the Department of Public Safety and the Department of the Attorney General. \$1,278,132 is appropriated for 4 Judge positions and related staff. \$1,465,090 is appropriated to the Department of Public Safety for drug enforcement activities. \$346,944 is appropriated to the Department of the Attorney General for drug crime prosecuting costs. This bill also includes an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$227,033 to the Department of Public Safety in fiscal year 2014-15, however, no funding has been given for this allocation. Additional funds will also be required by the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services beginning in fiscal year 2014-15. Another significant cost of this bill is the cost of incarceration. It is possible the number of sentences imposed will require additional staffing. The exact amount required by fiscal year cannot be estimated at this time.