

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Allow Hemp Growers To Grow Hemp from Clones and To Grow Hemp Indoors

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Harvell of Farmington Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,500

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill would allow growers of industrial hemp licensed by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to grow industrial hemp from a clone or tissue cultures removed from live crops grown from certified seeds. The bill would also direct ACF to adopt rules for the application and licensing of industrial hemp grown indoors. Any additional costs to the ACF as a result of rulemaking are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.

Allowing industrial hemp licensees to grow industrial hemp indoors is anticipated to increase the licensed acreage, generating annual Other Special Revenue Funds revenue of \$12,500 starting in fiscal year 2018-19.