

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Amend the Law Regarding the Interest Rate for State Loans under the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Sen. Jackson of Aroostook Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Reduction in interest earnings - Potato Marketing Improvement Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Changing the interest rate on loans made through the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund from a fixed rate of 5% to the federal prime rate at the time of the loan closing up to a maximum of 5% will reduce the amount of interest paid on the loan and deposited into the fund for future use. The reduction in interest earnings will depend on the number of loans issued at an interest rate that is lower than the current 5% rate.