



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 574

LR 1797(03)

An Act To Clarify That Petitions for Certiorari to the Supreme Court of the United States Are Included within the Definition of Indigent Legal Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-155)

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$9,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$9,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill would add filing a petition for certiorari to the Supreme Court to the services provided by the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services. The Commission estimates about 3 to 7 instances per year that a petition would be filed. Assuming a petition takes 40 hours of time to prepare, each petition would cost the Commission \$2,400. As a result, costs to the Commission could total \$7,200 to \$16,800 per year, averaging \$12,000 per year. The bill includes appropriations of \$9,000 in FY 2019-20 and \$12,000 in FY 2020-21.