



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 1641(03)

An Act To Enact the Campus Free Expression Act

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$43,100	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$43,100	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to investigate whether there have been any instances in the state where the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System or the Maine Maritime Academy has violated or restricted a student’s free speech rights. The bill also requires the OAG to determine if any additional protections are necessary under state law and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary by January 1, 2020. The OAG has indicated it requires an additional position to meet these requirements. The bill includes one limited- period Assistant Attorney General position and provides General Fund appropriations of \$43,100 in fiscal year 2019-20.