

129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1083

LR 1160(03)

An Act To Implement Ranked-choice Voting for Presidential Primary and General Elections in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " **Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs** Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Referendum Costs Month/Year Election Type **Ouestion** Length Standard

Nov-19 Referendum General

The Secretary of State's budget includes sufficient funds to accommodate one ballot of average length for the general election in November. If the number or size of the referendum questions requires production and delivery of a second ballot, an additional appropriation of \$172,000 may be required.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides for ranked-choice voting for general elections for presidential electors if approved at a statewide referendum election. Ranked-choice voting is currently in place for state primary elections and general elections for federal Congressional candidates. Requiring ranked-choice voting for general elections for presidential electors is not expected to add significant costs for this expansion.