

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Increase Accountability for Wage Violations

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Collings of Portland Committee: Labor and Housing Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Potential current biennium revenue increase - General Fund

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$283,313	\$385,260	\$396,397	\$407,879
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$283,313	\$385,260	\$396,397	\$407,879

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$283,313 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$385,260 in fiscal year 2022-23 to the Regulation and Enforcement program within the Department of Labor for 4 Labor and Safety Inspector positions for enforcement of wage and hour laws.

Increasing the fine for a violation of certain state wage and benefits laws to \$500 for the first violation and at least \$500 but no more than \$2,500 for each subsequent violation may result in an increase in General Fund revenues beginning in fiscal year 2021-22. The amount will depend on the number and amount of fines assessed.