

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act Requiring Climate Impact Notes on Proposed Legislation and Agency Rules

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Lookner of Portland Committee: State and Local Government Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$478,617	\$589,777	\$614,954	\$639,098
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$478,617	\$589,777	\$614,954	\$639,098

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Legislature will require ongoing appropriations of \$88,296 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$116,003 in fiscal year 2022-23 for one Legislative Analyst position in the Legislature's Office of Fiscal and Program Review to prepare statements of climate impact on all legislation that would have an apparent significant climate impact if implemented. It will also require a one-time appropriation of \$50,000 in fiscal year 2021-22 for the costs of contracting with an appropriate entity to set up a climate impact analysis system, including any information technology modifications and costs.

The Department of Environmental Protection has indicated it will require appropriations of \$340,321 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$473,774 in fiscal year 2022-23 for one Public Service Manager I position, 2 Planning and Research Associate II positions, 2 Environmental Specialist III positions and associated costs to provide information related to the impact of legislation on climate.