



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Resolve, to Study Training in Racial Issues, Racial Justice and Social Issues at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and Study Additional Requirements for Law Enforcement Officers and Candidates

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Gramlich of Old Orchard Beach

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$7,600 in fiscal year 2023-24. The Legislature's proposed budget for the 2024-2025 biennium includes \$14,500 in each of fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25 for the costs of legislative studies, as well as \$2,234 in projected balances from fiscal year 2022-23 and \$36,777 of balances carried over from prior years for this purpose. Whether these amounts are sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature. The additional costs of providing staffing assistance to the study during the interim can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted staff resources.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the University of Maine System to serve on the committee as a representative of a public institution of higher education that provides courses at the associate, bachelor's or master's level in criminal justice can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. Additionally, any costs to the Department of Public Safety to serve on the commission can also be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.