



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act Regarding Transition Coordination, Prisoner Attendance at Funerals, Furloughs, Visitation, Education and Discretionary Accounts at County Jails

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Collings of Portland

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires each county jail to hire a transition coordinator, adopt written policies regarding approval for prisoner attendance at funerals and, if the jail maintains prisoner accounts for use on optional items and services within the jail, create a fund providing money in accounts for indigent prisoners.

Unit Affected

County

Local Cost

Significant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.