



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 1333(01)

An Act To Remove the Mandatory Minimum Jail Sentence in Certain Cases

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Katz of Kennebec

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential current biennium savings - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Removing the mandatory minimum sentence of one year of imprisonment for a conviction of the crime of reckless conduct with a firearm may reduce the length of sentences, resulting in reduced correctional costs. The average cost in a state correctional facility is \$111.34 per prisoner per day and the average cost in a county correctional facility is \$118.04. The amount of any savings will depend on sentencing decisions by the courts and cannot be estimated at this time.