

126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Further Strengthen the Protection of Pregnant Women and Children from Toxic Chemicals

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Sen. Goodall of Sagadahoc Committee: Environment and Natural Resources Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$820,586	\$655,716	\$672,644	\$690,080
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund Other Special Revenue Funds	\$820,586 \$4,867	\$655,716 \$4,867	\$672,644 \$4,867	\$690,080 \$4,867

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill amends the laws governing toxic chemicals in children's products to direct the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to name two additional priority chemicals annually, which would require rulemaking, assisting with outreach and compliance, reviewing alternative assessments and responding to citizen petitions. The DEP indicates it will require a General Fund appropriation of \$820,586 in FY 2013-14 and \$855,716 in FY 2014-15 to fund two full-time Environmental Specialist IV positions, three full-time Environmental Specialist III positions and two full-time Toxicologist positions along with the associated administative and technology costs. An on-going Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$4,867 will be required for related technology costs.