



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Refund the Sales Tax Paid on Fuel Used in Commercial Agricultural Production and Commercial Wood Harvesting

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Cushing of Penobscot

Committee: Taxation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

| | FY 2015-16 | FY 2016-17 | Projections FY 2017-18 | Projections FY 2018-19 |
|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Net Cost (Savings) | | | | |
| General Fund | \$9,963,600 | \$13,019,750 | \$13,656,202 | \$14,268,999 |
| Revenue | | | | |
| General Fund | (\$9,963,600) | (\$13,019,750) | (\$13,656,202) | (\$14,268,999) |
| Other Special Revenue Funds | (\$524,400) | (\$685,250) | (\$718,748) | (\$751,000) |

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides a sales and use tax refund or exemption for fuel used in commercial wood harvesting or commercial agricultural production. It would result in a loss of General Fund revenue of \$9,963,600 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$13,019,750 in fiscal year 2016-17 and a loss to the Local Government Fund of \$524,400 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$685,250 in fiscal year 2016-17.