

**127th MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1099****LR 1303(02)****An Act To Establish a Fund for the Operations and Outreach Activities of the University of Maine
Cooperative Extension Animal and Plant Disease and Insect Control Laboratory****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"****Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry****Fiscal Note Required: Yes****Fiscal Note**

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$12,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$478,507	\$418,855	\$379,428	\$379,428
Revenue				
General Fund	\$204,000	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
Transfers				
General Fund	(\$192,000)	(\$340,000)	(\$340,000)	(\$340,000)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$192,000	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation establishes a 20¢ fee on each container of consumer packaged pesticides. It would result in revenue of \$204,000 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$340,000 in fiscal year 2016-17. The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$12,000 in fiscal year 2015-16 to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services for computer programming to add a line to the sales tax form to capture the fee information. \$12,000 would be retained in the General Fund in fiscal year 2015-16 for administrative costs related to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the remainder would be transferred monthly from the General Fund to the Animal and Plant Disease and Insect Control Fund within the University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

This bill also includes Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of 192,000 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$340,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 to the Animal and Plant Disease and Insect Control Fund at the University of Maine Cooperative Extension for outreach and education initiatives on pest management and pest safety and for non-administrative costs related to its animal and plant disease and insect control laboratory.

The bill requires the Board of Pesticides Control within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to provide certain retail stores with product codes for every type of pesticide container that may be sold by that store. The Animal and Plant Disease and Insect Control Fund must reimburse ACF for costs incurred to provide these product codes. The bill includes Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$150,000 and \$75,000 in fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively, for costs to hire a contractor to assist ACF in providing product codes, \$120,000 in fiscal year 2015-16 for certain computer system costs and \$16,507 and \$3,855 in fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively, for other related costs. There would also be a transfer of \$100,000 and \$88,605 in fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively, from the Animal and Plant Disease and Insect Control Fund to reimburse ACF for providing product codes.