



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1244

LR 540(04)

An Act To Amend Environmental Permitting Standards

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment " " to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Breen of Cumberland

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium savings - Other Special Revenue Funds

Current biennium revenue decrease - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The amendment forbids the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), beginning September 1, 2015, from conducting adjudicatory hearings to establish water level regimes or minimum flow requirements, unless initiated before September 1, 2015. The prohibition is repealed on August 31, 2016. The amendment removes the proposed fee to the DEP to cover the costs of adjudicatory hearings. The DEP normally anticipates no more than two water level regime adjudications per year.