

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Help Municipalities Prepare for Sea Level Rise

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Blume of York Committee: State and Local Government Fiscal Note Required: No

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Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Environmental Protection or the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to encourage the assessment of and planning for the effects of a change in sea level on relevant state, regional, municipal or privately held infrastructure, property or resources are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.

Municipalities may incur costs if they choose to rewrite existing comprehensive plans to incorporate the assessment of and planning for the effects of a change in sea level. Such rewrites would be voluntary and any related costs are not expected to be significant.