



# 129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Modernize the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires the Department of Education to contract for the services necessary to develop and implement an Internet-based application for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program and make the application available to local school administrative units (SAU's). According to the department, Internet-based applications are available and, therefore, there is no need to develop one. The department will hire a vendor through a request for proposal process to maintain the application and deliver it to SAU's.

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$216,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 to the School Finance and Operations program within the Department of Education to contract for the services necessary to provide the Internet-based application for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program to public schools. This estimate assumes that the 216 SAU's currently in the programs will choose to use, and be provided with, the Internet-based application and that the cost for the vendor to maintain the software will be \$1,000 per school annually.