



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1050

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An Act To Require Education about the Holocaust

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires the history of genocide, including the Holocaust, be taught in schools.	School	Moderate statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$9,000 in fiscal year 2019-20 to the Learning Systems program within the Department of Education for the costs associated with holding meetings with stakeholders to revise the social studies standards. The department has indicated that it has just completed a review of the social studies standards and, therefore, has not requested funding in the 2020-2021 biennial budget to conduct another review.