



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Amend the Advance Deposit Wagering Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$93,016	\$127,597	\$130,991	\$134,481
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$93,046	\$127,628	\$131,024	\$134,515
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$270	\$284	\$297	\$313
Revenue				
General Fund	\$30	\$31	\$33	\$34
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$22,770	\$284	\$297	\$313

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill repeals provisions in current law that directed the Gambling Control Unit (GCU) within the Department of Public Safety to award one entity through a competitive bidding process a license to conduct advance deposit wagering and instead allows commercial tracks, off-track betting facilities and multijurisdictional account wagering providers to be licensed to participate in advance deposit wagering. Advance deposit wagering licensees are directed to remit .5% of their gross advance deposit wagering income to the GCU for distribution as follows:

	Of the .5% remitted for:	In-State Races	Out of State Races
Credited to the General Fund		10%	10%
Fund to Stabilize Off-Track Betting Facilities (OSR)		20%	36%
Sire Stakes Fund (OSR)		1%	1%
Agricultural Fair Support Fund (OSR)		10%	10%
Fund to Supplement Harness Racing Purses (OSR)		24%	7%
Fund to Encourage Racing at Maine's Commerical Tracks (OSR)		35%	36%

The State's share of the advance deposit wagering in fiscal year 2019-20 is anticipated to generate only \$300 in revenue of which \$30 will be credited to the General Fund and \$270 will be distributed into the various Other Special Revenue Funds accounts listed above. In fiscal year 2020-21, General Fund revenue is estimated to be \$32 and Other Special Revenue Funds revenue is estimated to be \$284. Corresponding Other Special Revenue Funds allocations are included to allow for the expenditure of the funds.

License and application fees are estimated to generate \$22,500 in fiscal year 2019-20 with additional revenue in fiscal year 2024-25 when the 5-year licenses are renewed. License fee revenue assumes that five off-track betting facilities and 10 multijurisdictional account wagering providers will seek licensure. This bill also includes appropriations to the GCU of \$93,046 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$127,628 in fiscal year 2020-21 for one Public Safety Manager II position and associated All Other costs.