



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 252(01)

An Act Concerning Civics Instruction

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Bailey of Gorham

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires the histories of religious and racial minorities, women and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people be taught in schools as part of the minimum requirements for a high school diploma.

Unit Affected

School

Local Cost

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

The Learning Systems Teams program within the Department of Education will require a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$9,000 in fiscal year 2021-22 for the costs associated with holding meetings with stakeholders to revise the social studies standards.