

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 644

LR 1930(02)

An Act Regarding Motor Vehicle Registration Violations

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Transportation
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$376,242	\$376,242	\$376,242	\$376,242
Revenue General Fund	(\$376,242)	(\$376,242)	(\$376,242)	(\$376,242)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill changes the penalties for failure to register a vehicle, expired registrations, and failure to change out-of-state registrations. The bill also provides that a complaint will be dismissed if a person is charged with one of these violations but shows satisfactory evidence of registration that was in effect at the time of the alleged violation or if the person subsequently registered the vehicle prior to the date required for filing an answer to the complaint. According to the Judicial Branch, it is estimated that revenues collected from fines and surcharges associated with expired registrations and failure to register a vehicle totaled \$470,302 in 2019. Assuming that 80% of these violations will now be dismissed, it is estimated that \$376,242 in revenue will no longer accrue to the General Fund beginning in FY 2021-22.