

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act Regarding Violation of a Protective Order

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Sen. Deschambault of York Committee: Judiciary Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Future biennium cost increase - General Fund Minor revenue increase - General Fund Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increase in the incidence of class C crimes; increases correctional and judicial costs.

The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new felony cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time.

The collection of additional fines may increase General Fund and other dedicated revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill modifies an existing class C crime of violating a protective order to include instances when the protective order was not issued by a Maine court. It is unclear how many additional individuals will be convicted of a Class C crime who otherwise would not have been. The current average cost of incarcerating an individual for a single year is \$55,203. The Department of Corrections has not indicated the need for additional funding at this time and no funding is included in the bill.