

## **130th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

LD 891

LR 668(02)

An Act To Eliminate or Forgive Fines and Penalties on Persons and Businesses Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

> Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note				
	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$56,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$56,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The bill includes a one-time deallocation of Other Special Revenue Funds to the Department of Health and Human Services of \$56,000 in fiscal year 2021-22 to reflect reduced expenditures caused by a reduction in revenue from refunding certain fines and fees for violations by a business of an order, rule or guidance issued pursuant to the state of emergency due to COVID-19 proclaimed by the Governor. Any resulting fine, suspension or license revocation must be dismissed if the agency or department that issued the violation produces no evidence of resulting measurable damage or harm caused by the violation.

Any costs to other state departments and agencies to return any funds collected due to violations of a COVID-19 restriction are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing resources.