

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1179

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An Act To Restrict Maine Law Enforcement Participation in Federal Firearm Confiscation or Buyback Programs without Legislative Approval

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Corey of Windham Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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This bill requires a majority vote of each House of the Legislature and approval by the Governor for any use of a law enforcement officer or agency in a federal firearm confiscation or buy-back program. The Legislature's baseline budget for 2022-2023 includes funds for the Legislature to meet in special session on 2 days each fiscal year following the applicable statutory deadline. Whether or not there are sufficient funds to cover the cost of holding a special session for this purpose will depend on the number of times the Legislature is required to convene in special session during the interim.