



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1245

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An Act To Ensure the Provision of Appropriate Personal Protective Equipment to Firefighters

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-610)

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires fire departments to provide protective equipment that fits properly and meets or exceeds certain standards. Proper fit is determined by selecting the best fitting protective equipment after reviewing design options specific to the firefighter's sex and options for sizing and tailoring the protective equipment.

Unit Affected

Municipality

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

Any additional costs to the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards, to make required notifications can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.