



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Reduce Fire Response Time by Eliminating Standardized Dispatch Protocols for Fire 9-1-1 Calls

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology
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 | (\$100,000) | (\$100,000) | (\$100,000) | (\$100,000) |

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill eliminates the funding requirement for standardized dispatch protocols for fire 9-1-1 calls. It also prohibits the Emergency Services Communication Bureau within the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) from adopting rules requiring the adoption and implementation by public safety answering points of standardized dispatch protocols for answering fire 9-1-1 calls. The elimination of standardized dispatch protocols will reduce contractual obligations. The bill includes ongoing deallocations of \$100,000 starting in fiscal year 2021-22 that will no longer be needed.