

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Invest in Maine's Roads and Bridges

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Collings of Portland Committee: Taxation Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$52,739	\$20,930	(\$7,780)	(\$30,967)
Highway Fund	(\$19,220,811)	(\$45,251,198)	(\$68,823,299)	(\$87,841,881)
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$76,000	\$76,000	\$76,000	\$76,000
Revenue				
General Fund	\$23,261	\$55,070	\$83,780	\$106,967
Highway Fund	\$19,220,811	\$45,251,198	\$68,823,299	\$87,841,881
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,965,928	\$4,633,732	\$7,047,922	\$8,996,153

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill increases the fuel tax rate by \$.12 per gallon over a 4 year period and will result in an increase in General Fund revenue of \$23,261 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$55,070 in fiscal year 2022-23. It will also increase Highway Fund revenues by \$19,220,811 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$45,251,198 in fiscal year 2022-23. Transcap revenues will increase by \$1,558,444 in fiscal 2021-22 and \$3,669,016 in fiscal year 2022-23. Other Special Revenue Funds revenue will increase by \$407,484 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$964,716 in fiscal year 2022-23.

The Department of Administrative and Financial Services will require General Fund appropriations of \$76,000 in fiscal years 2021-22 and 2022-23 for computer programming costs to update fuel tax returns and refund applications.

The bill also includes a fuel tax fairness credit for individuals with federal adjusted gross income lower than the federal poverty level. While the Department of Administrative and Financial Services expects this to reduce General Fund revenue, no estimate of the loss can be made at this time.