

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Schools by Implementing Interlocking Door Controller Technology

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Sen. Stewart of Aroostook Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

State Mandate - Funded

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires school administrative units to install interlocking door controller	Unknown	\$20,000,000
technology in every elementary and secondary school in every unit.		

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

The School Finance and Operations program within the Department of Education will require a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 to fund 100% of the cost to local school administrative units to install interlocking door controller technology in every elementary and secondary school in every unit. This estimate assumes an interlocking door system would need to be installed in 5 doors in each of the 611 elementary and secondary school buildings in the State at an average cost of \$6,250 per door.