

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Protect the Environment by Funding Ash Tree Management

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$500,000	\$603,092	\$606,174	\$609,354
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$103,092	\$106,174	\$109,354
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500,000	\$500,585	\$500,585	\$500,585
Transfers				
General Fund	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill provides ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$103,092 to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) starting in fiscal year 2024-25 to switch a temporary Entomologist I position to a permanent position. It includes Other Special Revenue Fund (OSR) allocations of \$585 to ACF starting in fiscal year 2024-25 to fund the IT costs associated with the position. It also includes ongoing OSR allocations of \$500,000 starting in fiscal year 2023-24 to the Community Forestry Fund (CFF) within the ACF to provide grants to municipalities and towns. There is an annual transfer of the same amount starting in fiscal year 2023-24 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the CFF to fund the allocation.