

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Provide Public Sector Labor Unions Reasonable Access to Information Regarding Employees

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with: C "A" (H-377) Committee: Labor and Housing

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Specifies that the provision of personal contact information by a public employer to a bargaining agent is subject to any dispute resolution process of a collective bargaining agreement for any public employee. This requirement may result in increased costs to public employers for legal and other services.

Unit Affected Municipality School 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

Additional costs to the higher educational institutions and the executive, judicial and legislative branches of government associated with the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.