



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Update the Growth Management Program Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Housing

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	\$0	\$165,170	\$140,014	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$165,170	\$140,014	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$647	\$647	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (DACF) has indicated that the changes to the rules regarding growth management programs, comprehensive plan requirements and the department's review criteria of those plans will require additional limited-period staff to assist with the policy analysis needed for rulemaking to incorporate the new statutory requirements. This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$133,670 starting in fiscal year 2024-25 to DACF for one limited-period Policy Development Specialist position and associated position costs and allocations of \$647 for the technology management costs related to the position. The bill also includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$31,500 in fiscal year 2024-25 for contracted facilitation services related to the public input portions of the required stakeholder group in developing new agency rules associated with implementing this bill.