

132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Provide for a 5-year Automatic Repeal of Agency Rules

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Smith of Palermo Committee: State and Local Government Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Future biennium cost increase - All Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill will increase costs to the Secretary of State and all agencies within the executive branch by amending the Maine Administrative Procedure Act to provide that any agency rule that is adopted in accordance with the requirements of that Act after January 1, 2026 is automatically repealed 5 years from the date of final adoption. The bill requires the Secretary of State to provide notice to agencies regarding dates of automatic repeals no later than 18 months prior to the repeal date. Agencies may also submit to the Legislature requests that rules be renewed and not be subject to repeal for an additional 5 years.