



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 695

LR 2170(03)

An Act Regarding the Laws of the State of Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund
Current biennium cost increase - Highway Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides that a member of the Legislature or an immediate family member of a member of the Legislature, who is issued a permit to carry a concealed handgun shall be reimbursed for the cost of completing a handgun safety course if that member or that member's immediate family member was required to take the handgun safety course to be eligible for the permit. The cost to the Legislature will depend on the number of legislators and family members seeking reimbursement for such courses at a cost of approximately \$100 to \$200 per course.

The Department of Public Safety has indicated that it would need a General Fund appropriation of \$68,050 and a Highway Fund allocation of \$36,640 in fiscal year 2026-27 for one Management Analyst I position and related costs to process concealed handgun permit applications for members of the Legislature and family members. Since the amendment includes language for the Department to perform these tasks within existing resources, no funding has been included. The impact of these new unfunded costs on other department programs and activities cannot be determined at this time.