



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Modernize Deed Duplication from Microfilm to a Digital Image

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Salisbury of Westbrook

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires counties to make records of instruments recorded in the register of deeds office in the form of digital images stored on magnetic or optical media, not on microfilm as in current law.

Unit Affected

County

Local Cost

Insignificant 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.