



# 132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

**LD 1072**

**LR 152(03)**

## **An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Land for Maine's Future Program and to Authorize the Use of Options to Purchase at Agricultural Value**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:**

**C "A" (S-189)**

**Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

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### **Fiscal Note**

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

#### **Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements**

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time. The collection of additional filing fees will increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The Department of the Attorney General has indicated that additional staffing and resources are necessary to carry out the additional legal reviews required as a result of the provisions of this bill. Allocation for those positions would have been funded by a reimbursement from the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, which would have required additional General Fund appropriations. The bill does not include funding for these additional needs. The fiscal impact of implementing the bill's provisions without additional resources cannot be determined at this time and may depend on the volume and scope of reviews required.