



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 2125(01)

An Act to Promote the Secure Storage of Firearms

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Sayre of Kennebunk

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: No

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Minor cost increase - General Fund

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Minor revenue increase – Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

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 fines will increase General Fund or other dedicated revenue by minor amounts.

The bill creates a Class C crime for negligently storing a firearm if the person knows or has reason to know that a minor or prohibited person is likely to gain access to the firearm and a minor or prohibited person uses it to cause the death of or serious bodily injury of any person. It is unclear how many additional individuals will be convicted of a Class C crime who otherwise would not have been. The current average cost of incarcerating one individual for a single year is \$55,203. No funding has been included in the bill at this time.