

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1206****LR 1003(02)****An Act to Control Property Taxes by Increasing the Percentage of the Business Equipment Tax Exemption That Municipalities May Recover****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "****Committee: Taxation****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$5,300	\$5,209,000	\$15,696,000	\$22,174,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$5,300	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$5,209,000)	(\$15,696,000)	(\$22,174,000)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a revenue decrease to the General Fund of \$5,209,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 by increasing the percentage that municipalities may recover from tax revenue lost as the result of the Business Equipment Tax Exemption to 60% for property tax years beginning April 1, 2026, 70% beginning April 1, 2027, 75% beginning April 1, 2028, and 80% beginning on or after April 1, 2030.

Additionally, the bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Bureau of Revenue Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services of \$5,300 in fiscal year 2025-26 to fund computer programming costs associated with the provisions of this bill.