

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1706****LR 1955(02)****An Act Regarding Notification of Appointment of Legal Representation for Indigent Clients in Custody****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "****Committee: Judiciary****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

---

---

**Fiscal Note**

	<b>FY 2025-26</b>	<b>FY 2026-27</b>	<b>Projections FY 2027-28</b>	<b>Projections FY 2028-29</b>
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$207,695	\$456,162	\$472,398	\$489,219
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$207,695	\$456,162	\$472,398	\$489,219

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Judicial Branch of \$207,695 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$456,162 in fiscal year 2026-27 to establish 5 assistant clerk positions, effective February 1, 2026, to implement the process of appointing defense counsel within 24 hours for an incarcerated accused person who is indigent.