

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1776****LR 2217(03)****An Act to Establish the Interdisciplinary Advisory Board for the State House Complex****Fiscal Note for House Amendment " " to Original Bill****Sponsor: Rep. Montell of Gardiner****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	(\$96,387)	(\$131,992)	(\$136,941)	(\$142,083)
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	(\$96,387)	(\$131,992)	(\$136,941)	(\$142,083)

Legislative Cost/Study

The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$5,850 in fiscal year 2025-26. The Legislature's proposed budget for the 2026-2027 biennium includes \$22,196 in each of fiscal years 2025-26 and 2026-27 for the costs of legislative studies, as well as \$8,265 in projected balances from fiscal year 2024-25 and \$33,073 of balances carried over from prior years for this purpose. Whether these amounts are sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Replacing the ongoing Interdisciplinary Advisory Board for the State House Complex with a one-time Environmental Management System Protocol working group will eliminate the ongoing General Fund appropriations in the bill of \$96,387 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$131,992 in fiscal year 2026-27 due to the Department of Labor no longer needing one half-time Labor Program Specialist position and one half-time Statistician II position to provide staffing and other support to the board. Additional costs to the Department of Labor to staff the working group without affecting other programs and services can not be determined at this time.

Any additional costs to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to serve on the working group are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.