



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Exempted

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires educational facilities to install additional carbon monoxide detectors in accordance with the requirements of the Life Safety Code of the National Fire Protection Association as adopted by the Commissioner of Public Safety.	School	Significant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Preliminary estimates indicate that the total cost for all elementary, middle, and secondary school buildings is likely to range from \$500,000 to \$1,190,000. These estimates assumes that the cost of installing the additional required carbon monoxide detectors will range from \$600 to \$1500 per school for Maine's 174 elementary schools, \$900 to \$2000 per school for Maine's 171 middle schools, and \$1500 to \$3000 per school for Maine's 122 secondary schools.

Any additional costs to the Department of Public Safety and State institutions of higher education are minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.