



# 132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 2077

LR 2884(02)

## An Act to Reduce the Cost of Purchasing a Home by Providing Grants to Reduce Mortgage Rates

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Housing and Economic Development**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

### Fiscal Note

|                                   | FY 2025-26 | FY 2026-27   | Projections<br>FY 2027-28 | Projections<br>FY 2028-29 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>         |            |              |                           |                           |
| General Fund                      | \$0        | \$20,250,000 | \$20,250,000              | \$20,250,000              |
| <b>Appropriations/Allocations</b> |            |              |                           |                           |
| General Fund                      | \$0        | \$20,250,000 | \$20,250,000              | \$20,250,000              |

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations to the Maine State Housing Authority (MSHA) totaling \$20,250,000 starting in FY 2026-27 to provide grant funding to qualified home buyers as required by this bill. In 2026, MSHA is projected to purchase 1,350 mortgages, each of which would qualify for the grant as provided in the bill, which does not impose any additional restrictions or limitations on who may qualify for the grant. This fiscal note assumes that the number of mortgages qualifying for the grant program will not change in subsequent years. Additional costs to administer the grant program can be absorbed by MSHA within existing resources.