



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Enhance the Safety of Judicial and Elected Officials, Constitutional Officers and the State Auditor by Allowing Certain Personal Information to Be Removed from Designated Public Records

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Judiciary

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	\$0	\$60,280	\$60,280	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$60,280	\$60,280	\$0

Legislative Cost/Study

The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$1,400 in fiscal year 2026-27. The Legislature’s budget for the 2026-2027 biennium includes \$7,253 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$17,696 in fiscal year 2026-27 for the costs of legislative studies, as well as \$41,338 of balances carried over from prior fiscal 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. The additional costs of providing staffing assistance to the study during the interim can be absorbed utilizing existing budgeted staff resources.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Department of the Secretary of State of \$60,280 in fiscal year 2026-27 for a subscription to remove qualifying information from internet websites.

Any additional costs to departments and agencies designated to participate in the working group are assumed to be minor and can be absorbed with existing budgeted resources.