



# 132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## **An Act to Protect Students by Ensuring Schools Have Complete Information About School Employees and Applicants for Employment**

**Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment " " to Committee Amendment "A"**

**Sponsor: Sen. Rafferty of York**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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### **Fiscal Note**

Potential current biennium cost increase - School Administrative Units

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This amendment makes several changes to the procedures for "covered investigations" that school entities must complete, including: expanding the definition and scope of a "covered investigation," requiring superintendents to complete covered investigations for any complaint related to alleged covered misconduct (rather than first conducting a presumably less intensive preliminary investigation to determine whether a covered investigation is needed), and requiring a school entity to review a job candidate's educator credentialing records for any notations related to covered investigations.

Taken together, these changes are likely to increase the number of investigations that schools are required to complete and therefore require additional expenditures by school administrative units.