



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Establish a Working Farmland Access and Protection Program within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and a Working Farmland Access and Protection Fund within the Land for Maine's Future Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill establishes the Maine Working Farmland Access and Protection Program within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to align the ACF's farmland conservation efforts with the Land for Maine's Future (LMF) program.

The ACF has indicated that it will not require additional staffing at this time. The bill includes ongoing Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$500 starting in fiscal year 2021-22 to establish the Maine Working Farmland Access and Protection Fund within the ACF to allow expenditure of contributions received from public and private sources to support the acquisition of access to working farmland.

Sec. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

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Maine Working Farmland Access and Protection Fund N360

Initiative: Provides a base allocation to establish the Maine Working Farmland Access and Protection Fund to allow expenditure of contributions received from private and public sources for the acquisition of property or interests in property that are designed to protect access to working farmland.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$500	\$500
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$500	\$500

**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$500	\$500
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$500	\$500