



# 125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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**An Act To Establish Flushability Standards for Consumer Products Advertised as Flushable**

**Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill**

**Sponsor: Rep. Innes of Yarmouth**

**Committee: Environment and Natural Resources**

**Fiscal Note Required: No**

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## **Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement**

Minor cost increase - General Fund  
Minor revenue increase - General Fund  
Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

### **Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements**

Increases the number of civil violations.

The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to adopt rules prohibiting the packaging or labeling of consumer products sold in the state stating that the product is flushable or safe for sewer and septic systems unless the product meets criteria in the Guidance Document for Assessing the Flushability of Nonwoven Consumer Products published by the Association of the Nonwoven Fabrics Industry in effect on January 1, 2011 may result in minor additional costs that the DEP can absorb within existing budgeted resources.