



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Update the Career and Technical Education Laws

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Langley of Hancock

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required Activity

Requires all career and technical education programs to be based on national industry standards, or state level standards if national industry standards are not available or applicable.

Unit Affected

School

Local Cost

Moderate statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a State mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to fund at least 90% of the additional costs or a Mandate Preamble is amended to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement, municipalities may not be required to implement these changes.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Education to establish an industry stakeholder group and/or stakeholder groups to adopt or create national or state industry standards for all career and technical education programs can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.

Additional costs to local school administrative units can not be determined at this time and will depend on the industry standards accepted by the commissioner.