



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 57

LR 681(01)

An Act To Increase Mileage Reimbursement and Compensation for Jurors

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Martin of Eagle Lake

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$460,869	\$614,492	\$614,492	\$614,492
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$460,869	\$614,492	\$614,492	\$614,492

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The Judicial Department will require General Fund appropriations of \$460,868 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$614,492 in fiscal year 2016-17 to increase juror mileage reimbursement from 15¢ per mile to the rate specified for state employees, currently 44¢ per mile, and to increase the per diem rate paid to jurors from \$10 to \$20.

The Governor's proposed biennial budget for 2016-2017 contains \$160,312 in fiscal year 2015-16 and \$454,179 in fiscal year 2016-17 to increase juror mileage reimbursement from 15¢ per mile to the rate specified for state employees, currently 44¢ per mile, beginning in the 2nd year of the biennium, fiscal year 2016-17, and to increase the per diem rate paid to jurors from \$10 to \$15. This bill is in conflict with the proposed biennial budget and may need to be revisited after final legislative action on that budget.