



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Allow the Sale of Unregulated Farm-produced Dairy Products at the Site of Production

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

| | FY 2015-16 | FY 2016-17 | Projections FY 2017-18 | Projections FY 2018-19 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Net Cost (Savings) | | | | |
| General Fund | \$1,875 | \$2,500 | \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| Revenue | | | | |
| General Fund | (\$1,875) | (\$2,500) | (\$2,500) | (\$2,500) |

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill allows milk producers selling not pasteurized milk or milk products to be exempt from licensing if the sale is conducted in a certain manner, the producer completes a course in dairy sanitation and the producer samples their source water. There will be an estimated General Fund revenue reduction of \$1,875 in fiscal year 2015-16 and of \$2,500 annually in subsequent fiscal years from fewer sales of milk distributor licenses. The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry has indicated that a Consumer Protection Inspector position is necessary for the enhanced inspection process required by the exemption criteria. As no funding or position is provided in the bill, any impact on other services or programs cannot be determined at this time.