



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Restore Public Safety Programs in the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Lajoie of Lewiston

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

State Mandate - Unfunded

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$238,525	\$238,525	\$238,525	\$238,525

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Requires inspection of boilers located in schools.	School	Significant 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

Reestablishing the requirement that boilers in schools be inspected will increase the amount of dedicated revenue received by the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation (OPOR) within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation by approximately \$180,400 per year beginning in fiscal year 2015-16 from certification fees. This preliminary fiscal impact statement assumes that schools must include an \$80 fee when submitting their inspection report to OPOR, which was the fee that was in place prior to this requirement being repealed by Public Law 2013, c. 595, Pt. U, §11.

The bill establishes amusement ride inspection requirements with a fee of \$75 per hour based upon 775 hours of inspection. Other Special Revenue Funds revenue within the Department of Public Safety will increase by \$58,125 beginning in fiscal year 2015-16 from these fees.