

127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 168(02)

An Act To Prevent the Infestation of Firewood by Invasive Species

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill requires the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) to establish a firewood emergency response group to respond to reports of infestation of firewood by invasive species and establishes the Firewood Infestation Education Fund within ACF for educational and promotional purposes. The bill includes Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$500 in each of fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17 to establish the fund. No revenue source is provided in the bill. Any additional costs to ACF to establish a firewood emergency response group are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.