



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 2250(02)

An Act To Require Criminal History Record Checks for All Prospective and Current Staff Members of the Office of the State Auditor

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$784	\$118	\$118	\$118
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$784	\$118	\$118	\$118
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,216	\$182	\$182	\$182

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires all employees of the Office of the State Auditor (OSA) to consent to having their fingerprints taken for criminal background checks conducted by the Department of Public Safety. Assuming an average cost per employee of \$50, OSA estimates it will cost about \$2,000 to process all current employees and \$300 annually for new employees based on existing turnover. Accordingly, the bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$748 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$118 in fiscal year 2020-21 and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$1,216 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$182 in fiscal year 2020-21.

Additional costs to the Department of Public Safety associated with performing background checks can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. Other Special Revenue Funds revenue will be increased by minor amounts not requiring any change to the budget.