

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Address Training Requirements for Harbor Masters

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with: C "A" (H-49) Committee: Marine Resources

Fiscal Note

Municipalities may choose to reimburse for new training

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Current law requires certain basic training for harbor masters and deputy harbor masters. This bill requires 8 hours of additional training every 3 years for a person appointed or reappointed a harbor master or deputy harbor master. It also requires a former harbor master or deputy harbor master who has not held the position within the last 5 years to complete the basic harbor master training again. With approximately 200 harbor masters in the State, the statewide cost of this bill is estimated between \$10,000 and \$15,000 every three years. The bill is not a state mandate because there is no requirement that municipalities pay for the training. However, it is reasonable to assume that some municipalities will choose to cover or reimburse these costs as part of the benefits package offered to the individuals involved.