



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 670

LR 1984(02)

## An Act To Increase the Lobbyist Registration Fee

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$31,350	\$26,350	\$31,350	\$26,350
<b>Revenue</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$31,350	\$26,350	\$31,350	\$26,350

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill increases the registration fee for lobbyists from \$200 to \$250 and the registration fee for lobbyist associates from \$100 to \$125 and would allow the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices (the Commission) to waive the fees if they determine the fee would constitute an economic hardship to the lobbyist or employer of the lobbyist. The increased fees will result in additional Other Special Revenue Funds revenue of \$31,350 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$26,350 in fiscal year 2022-23. The bill includes corresponding allocations to the Commission to allow for the expenditure of the additional revenue. Provisions in the bill that allow the Commission to waive the fees are not anticipated to result in a significant revenue loss due to the limited number of lobbyists and employers anticipated to receive a waiver.