



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1299

LR 688(02)

An Act To Permit Emergency Funding for Food Banks When a State of Emergency is Declared

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Maine Budget Stabilization Fund

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill authorizes the Governor to distribute up to \$400,000 from the Maine Budget Stabilization Fund during a state of emergency to certain nonprofit entities, which will reduce the balance of the Fund. The exact amount by fiscal year cannot be determined at this time and will depend on when and if a state of emergency occurs and on how much funding is authorized by the Governor. Any additional costs to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to conduct rulemaking regarding the manner in which the funding will be disbursed are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.