



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Right To Know Advisory Committee

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Harnett of Gardiner

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

### State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Expands the list of municipal and school unit officials who must receive training under the freedom of access laws.	Municipality School	Insignificant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any costs to State departments and agencies from limiting the fee to 10 cents per page for copying requested public records are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing resources.