



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Improve Accountability in Asset Seizure and Forfeiture Reporting

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$84,520	\$87,676	\$90,480	\$93,376
Appropriations/Allocations				
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Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Office of the State Auditor of \$84,520 in fiscal year 2021-22 and \$87,676 in fiscal year 2022-23 to establish one Staff Auditor I position to annually conduct a financial audit of the records submitted to the Department of Public Safety related to inventory of seized property and expenditures of forfeiture proceeds.

Additional costs to the Department of Public Safety associated with this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources. Other Special Revenue Funds revenue to the department may increase from fees charged to departments or agencies filing the reports. Any fees collected are expected to be minor not requiring any change to the budget.