

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 179****LR 586(02)****An Act to Amend the Maine Bail Code to Eliminate the Class E Crime of Violation of Condition of Release****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "****Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

|                                   | <b>FY 2025-26</b> | <b>FY 2026-27</b> | <b>Projections<br/>FY 2027-28</b> | <b>Projections<br/>FY 2028-29</b> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>         |                   |                   |                                   |                                   |
| General Fund                      | \$134,999         | \$137,483         | \$142,798                         | \$148,320                         |
| <b>Appropriations/Allocations</b> |                   |                   |                                   |                                   |
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**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations to the Judicial Branch of \$130,799 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$137,483 in fiscal year 2026-27 to establish one criminal process specialist position to assist the working group. This position is also included in Part A of the Governor's proposed biennial budget. If funded through the biennial budget bill, it would not require separate funding in this bill. It also includes one-time General Fund appropriation of \$4,200 in fiscal year 2025-26 for an active retired judge to participate in the working group.

Any additional costs to the Department of Public Safety and the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.