



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Update the Maine Wind Energy Act To Include Low-emission Energy

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund
Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any costs associated with establishing a petition process by which persons affected by a proposed grid-scale wind energy development may seek relief from the primary siting authority to apply a reduced setback can be absorbed by the Department of Environmental Protection within existing budgeted resources. Any costs associated with the additional criteria set forth by this bill for the annual assessment by the Governor's Office of Energy Independence and Security (OEIS) on the progress of the state related to meeting wind energy development goals and the consultation between the OEIS and the Office of the Public Advocate regarding wind energy development goals can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.