



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 2438(05)

An Act To Protect Maine Lakes

Fiscal Note for House Amendment " " to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Rep. McCabe of Skowhegan

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	(\$46,419)	(\$39,646)	(\$40,387)
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	(\$46,419)	(\$39,646)	(\$40,387)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	(\$675)	(\$675)	(\$675)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The amendment removes the requirement that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) make educational materials on certain lake information available on their website, thereby eliminating the need for the new half-time Environmental Specialist III position. The General Fund appropriation in fiscal year 2014-15 to the DEP for this position is removed. This amendment also removes the DEP's authority to adopt rules relating to certain fertilizer bans. The General Fund appropriation in fiscal year 2014-15 to the DEP for rulemaking is removed.

Overall, as amended, these changes leave only a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$70,000 in fiscal year 2013-14 to support the Maine Lakes Society, to manage and analyze certain data and for development and implementation of water pollution control, water quality protection and other environmental training programs.