



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 322

LR 158(02)

An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Exempted

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$397,980	\$322,980	\$65,600	\$65,600
Highway Fund	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$397,980	\$322,980	\$65,600	\$65,600
Revenue				
Highway Fund	(\$300,000)	(\$150,000)	\$0	\$0

State Mandates

Required Activity

Establishes a provisional voting process requiring election officials to track provisional ballots and provisional ballot affidavits, complete a provisional ballot log and report the status of all provisional ballots to the Secretary of State.

Unit Affected

Municipality

Local Cost

Moderate statewide

Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House exempts the State from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional costs.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Secretary State of \$397,980 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$322,980 in fiscal year 2020-21 to produce state identification cards, perform programming changes, generate provisional ballots and affidavits and conduct voter outreach.

Highway Fund revenue would be reduced by \$300,000 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$150,000 in fiscal year 2020-21 as a result of issuing free nondriver identification cards to any individual who needed a card to vote.