



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 3002(03)

An Act To Define as a Hazardous Substance under Maine Law Any Substance Defined under Federal Law as a Hazardous Substance, Pollutant or Contaminant

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Environment and Natural Resources
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds
Potential future biennium revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

This bill may decrease the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The Judicial Branch may realize some minor reduction of workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of cases that will no longer be filed. Collection of filing fees may decrease General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The addition of new definitions to the "hazardous substance" term under the State's Uncontrolled Hazardous Substance Sites law may expand the scope of investigation and remediation that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) conducts. DEP may elect to designate additional sites as uncontrolled sites in future years, which may result in additional expenditures made from and revenues credited to the Uncontrolled Sites Fund. No estimate of these expenditures and revenues is made at this time.