



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Ensure the Right to Self-defense Exists outside the Home by Removing the Requirement To Retreat

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Andrews of Paris

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential current biennium savings - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill removes the requirement that a person retreat if it is safe to do so in order to avoid violating the statutes related to the use of deadly force. To the extent that over time this change leads to fewer individuals being incarcerated, the Department of Corrections will see a reduction in costs. The number of cases affected by this change is not expected to be significant.