

130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1195

LR 800(04)

An Act To Increase Funding to Qualifying Municipalities by Sharing Adult Use Marijuana Sales and Excise Tax Revenue

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Taxation
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

No net fiscal impact - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill changes the name of the Adult Use Marijuana Public Health and Safety Fund within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to the Adult Use Marijuana Public Health and Safety and Municipal Opt-in Fund. It removes a requirement that 50% of expenditures from the fund be used for public health and safety awareness and education programs related to the sale and use of adult use marijuana and 50% be used for enhanced law enforcement training programs related to the sale and use of adult use marijuana. The bill adds a new use of the fund to reimburse municipalities for certain expenses incurred before July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2027 related to efforts to opt-in to permit the operation of adult use marijuana establishments within that municipality. Removing the 50/50 requirement and allowing reimbursement of opt-in related expenses will not necessarily result in additional expenditures from the fund, but will change the mix of expenditures.