



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 279

LR 270(08)

An Act to Protect Against Discrimination by Public Entities

Fiscal Note for Bill as Engrossed with:

C "A" (H-467)

S "B" (S-502) to C "A" (H-467)

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$50,000	\$218,564	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$50,000	\$218,564	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$95,537	\$130,934	\$0	\$0

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time. The collection of additional filing fees will increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations to the Department of Corrections of \$50,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$218,564 in fiscal year 2024-25 for one limited-period Correctional Care and Treatment Worker position, Assistant Attorney General billing costs and other related costs to investigate claims made to the Maine Human Rights Commission. The position begins January 1, 2024 and ends June 14, 2025.

This bill includes Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$95,537 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$130,934 in fiscal year 2024-25 for one limited-period Assistant Attorney General position, effective October 1, 2023 through June 14, 2025, in the Litigation Division of the Office of the Attorney General.

Any additional costs to the Maine Human Rights Commission from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.