



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Limit Political Contributions by Public Employee Labor Unions

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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### Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation prohibits public employee labor unions from using funds in the form of membership dues to pay for political communications unless those funds have been contributed to a political action committee. The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices has indicated that it is likely this legislation could be challenged legally. If that happens, and if the court finds for the plaintiff, the Commission could be required to pay the plaintiff's attorneys fees and court costs.