

126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1159

LR 2036(01)

An Act To Address Human Trafficking, Sex Trafficking and Prostitution

Fiscal Note for Original Bill
Sponsor: Rep. Dion of Portland
Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increases the class of a crime from a Class D crime to a Class C crime and a Class B crime. The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Increasing the class of crime for certain prostitution crimes will likely result in an increase in the length of a sentence and potentially shift the cost from the county correctional system to the state. Allowing the court to impose a jail sentence for the Class E crime of first offense engaging a prostitute may increase the number of people sentenced to jail. The average cost per day per prisoner is \$111.34 in a state facility and \$118.04 in a county facility.