



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Enhance Energy Cost Reduction and Facilitate Heating Alternatives in furtherance of the Omnibus Energy Act

Fiscal Note for House Amendment " " to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Rep. Wadsworth of Hiram

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Transfer from Efficiency Maine Trust to Maine Energy Office

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	(\$90,483)	(\$92,340)	(\$96,934)	(\$99,671)
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	(\$90,483)	(\$92,340)	(\$96,934)	(\$99,671)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment removes the General Fund appropriations of \$90,483 and \$92,340 in fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively, that were in the committee amendment. It requires \$300,000 to be transferred annually from Efficiency Maine Trust's (EMT) conservation program fund for electric efficiency and conservation programs to the Maine Energy Office (MEO). EMT has indicated that this fund has sufficient resources to absorb this annual transfer. The committee amendment had limited these transfers to a total of \$300,000 over time. The amendment adds Other Special Revenue Funds allocations to the MEO of \$232,138 and \$207,660 in fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively, to fund certain activities related to energy resources, planning and development. The amendment also adds Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$67,862 and \$92,340 in fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively, to establish a deputy commissioner position within the MEO. The amendment removes the emergency preamble and clause from the bill and this fiscal note assumes that the bill will become law on October 1, 2015.