

127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1226

LR 594(02)

An Act To Establish a Comprehensive Hunting License

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor revenue impact - General Fund Minor revenue impact - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill eliminates the muzzle loading permit, crossbow hunting license, bear hunting permit, combined fall and spring turkey hunting permit, pheasant hunting permit, migratory waterfowl hunting permit and night coyote hunting permit. This bill establishes a permit package at \$34 each, allowing holders of the permit package to hunt coyotes at night, bears, wild turkeys, pheasants, migratory waterfowl, antlerless deer and deer during an expanded archery season if an expanded archery season is adopted by rule. This bill directs no less than \$22,000, \$31,000 and \$83,000 of revenues from permit packages to go to the Pheasant Fund, Black Bear Research Fund and an account within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IFW) used for acquistion of waterfowl habitat and waterfowl management activities, respectively. IFW indicated that offering this permit package at \$34 each will result in no net General Fund or Other Special Revenue Funds revenue change.