

# **125th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

LD 775

LR 847(02)

## An Act To Clarify Special Education Reporting Requirements

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Fiscal Note**

State Mandate - Unfunded

### **State Mandates**

| Required Activity  | <b>Unit Affected</b> | Local Cost |
|--|----------------------|------------|
| Requires school administrative units to report legal disputes between a school     | School               | Moderate   |
| administrative unit and a parent, surrogate parent or guardian of a child with a   |                      | statewide  |
| disability concerning a student's special education program to the Commissioner of |                      |            |
| Education and to maintain files on each dispute.                                   |                      |            |

The required local activities in this bill may represent a State mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to fund at least 90% of the additional costs or a Mandate Preamble is amended to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement, municipalities may not be required to implement these changes.

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

Additional cost to the Department of Education to track the information submitted and to submit the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.