

125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Establish the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$0	(\$139,980)	(\$144,291)	(\$148,736)
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$0	(\$139,980)	(\$144,291)	(\$148,736)

Legislative Cost/Study

The general operating expenses of this study are projected to be \$9,750 in fiscal year 2012-13 based on 6 authorized interim meetings for the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. The Legislature's proposed budget includes \$10,000 in fiscal year 2012-13 for legislative studies. Whether this amount is sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation establishes the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. It includes a General Fund deappropriation to the Department of Conservation of \$139,980 in fiscal year 2012-13 for the elimination of one Commissioner of Conservation position.