



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 428(01)

Resolve, To Enhance and Encourage Economic Development of the Lower Penobscot River Basin by Improving Rail Transportation

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Campbell of Orrington

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Net Cost (Savings)				
Highway Fund	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
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Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a study to determine the feasibility and cost of improving the rail line from the City of Brewer to the Town of Bucksport. The department estimates that it would require a Highway Fund allocation of \$40,000 in fiscal year 2013-14 for engineering costs and costs related to public comment sessions. Since the rail line is owned by PanAm, any study would need to be coordinated with them and performed according to their guidelines, which could affect the cost.