

126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1643

LR 2677(02)

An Act To Enable the Bureau of Labor Standards To Access Federal Reimbursement by Amending State Law To Conform to Federal Law

> Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " " Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Current biennium savings - Other Special Revenue Funds

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Appropriations/Allocations Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Revenue Federal Expenditures Fund	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes ongoing Federal Expenditures Fund allocations of \$400,000 per year beginning in fiscal year 2014-15 to the Regulation and Enforcement program within the Department of Labor for the costs associated with the Bureau of Labor Standards conducting public sector consultation and enforcement services.

This legislation will conform current Maine law regarding enforcement of workplace safety to federal law and allow for the State to become eligible to receive a federal grant of up to \$400,000 per year for the cost of providing public sector enforcement and consultation services. The Bureau currently provides these services utilizing funds in the Safety Education and Training Fund, Other Special Revenues Funds account, which is funded through an annual assessment levied based on actual workers' compensation paid losses.