



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1681

LR 2561(01)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Gambling and Criminal History Record Checks

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Beaulieu of Auburn

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

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)				
General Fund	\$0	\$1,278,597	\$1,291,383	\$1,304,296
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	(\$1,278,597)	(\$1,291,383)	(\$1,304,296)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$1,278,597	\$1,291,383	\$1,304,296
Transfers				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation dedicates additional funds from the Hollywood and Oxford Casinos to the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Board Other Special Revenue Funds account. This will reduce General Fund revenue by \$1,278,597 in fiscal year 2014-15 and increase Other Special Revenue Funds revenue by a corresponding amount.

This legislation also requires that fees assessed for criminal history record checks for certain education personnel, which are currently deposited into the Criminal History Record Check Fund, a dedicated account within the Department of Education, instead be deposited into a dedicated account within the Department of Public Safety.

The Criminal History Record Check Fund within the Department of Education will require an Other Special Revenue Funds deallocation of \$431,161 in fiscal year 2014-15 as a result of the dedicated fees no longer being credited to the Department of Education effective August 1, 2014. The Department of Public Safety will require a corresponding Other Special Revenue Funds allocation. The Department of Education currently allocates 10% of the cost of one Education Specialist III position to the Criminal History Record Check Fund to support work performed by this employee that is directly related to criminal history record check requirements for school personnel. This work is expected to continue and will require the Department of Public Safety to transfer \$9,369 from the dedicated account established within their agency to the Department of Education in fiscal year 2014-15.