



# 127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 209(01)

## An Act To Assist Towns in Eradicating Milfoil and Other Invasive Aquatic Plants and Nuisance Species

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Fredette of Newport

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>					
General Fund	\$1,125,000	\$1,125,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>					
General Fund	\$1,125,000	\$1,125,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides a General Fund appropriation of \$900,000 in each of fiscal years 2014-15 and 2015-16 to the Invasive Aquatic Plant and Nuisance Species Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection to supplement existing funds for inspection of watercraft and for the containment and eradication of invasive aquatic plants and nuisance species. This bill also provides a General Fund appropriation of \$225,000 in each of fiscal years 2014-15 and 2015-16 to the Lake and River Protection Fund within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to supplement existing funds for inspection of watercraft, management and eradication of invasive aquatic plants and nuisance species and production and distribution of lake and river protection stickers.