



# 127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Encourage Maine Employers To Offer and Employees To Enroll in Disability Income Protection Plans in the Workplace

**Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill**

**Sponsor: Rep. Beck of Waterville**

**Committee: Insurance and Financial Services**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$49,000	\$107,800
<b>Revenue</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$49,000)	(\$107,800)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	(\$1,000)	(\$2,200)

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill provides a tax credit to employers for providing certain group disability income protection plans. The initial impact would be expected in fiscal year 2017-18, with a estimated reduction in General Fund revenue of \$49,000 and a reduction in Local Government Fund revenue of \$1,000. With no data available on the effect of automatic enrollment on group disability insurance coverage, this fiscal note assumes a modest number of credits in the early years of the program, as there will be some "ramp up" time for policies with automatic enrollment to gain popularity.